





Clarence Tabb Jr. / Detroit News via AP  
UAW official Edward Robinson leaves federal court in Detroit on Monday.

# ‘Good liquor’ and other joys: ex-UAW official pleads guilty

DETROIT (AP) — A former senior official at the United Auto Workers pleaded guilty Monday to conspiring with other labor leaders to steal more than \$1 million in dues while enjoying golf, lavish lodging, meals and booze.

“Our office will never tolerate the abuse of union funds for the benefit of corrupt union officials,” U.S. Attorney Matthew Schneider said.

Edward “Nick” Robinson’s guilty plea is the 10th from union officials or the spouse of an official. Three more people at Fiat Chrysler have also pleaded guilty in the government’s corruption investigation.

Robinson, 72, of Kirkwood, Missouri, was based at the UAW’s Region 5 office near St. Louis. The office was led by Gary Jones until Jones became UAW president in 2018. He quit the top union job in November while under investigation but hasn’t been charged.

Robinson has “worked very hard to rectify wrongs he’s made and we are well on our way there,” defense attorney James Martin said outside U.S. District Court in Detroit.

Robinson said he conspired with at least six other UAW officials in a multiyear effort to embezzle money for their personal benefit.

“Cigars, good liquor, golf items – and sometimes I got the benefit of these items,” Robinson told U.S. District Judge Paul Borman.

Robinson agreed to pay \$42,000 to the Internal Revenue Service for personal tax obligations. Restitution to the union hasn’t been determined yet.

In February, Vance Pearson pleaded guilty in the scheme. His conviction was significant because he worked closely with Jones and succeeded him in the Region 5 office. Pearson is cooperating with investigators.

## LOTTERIES

| Monday drawings                                                   | \$80 million                                      | Quick Draw Evening                                                  |
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| <b>Michigan</b>                                                   | <b>Sunday drawings</b>                            | 06-08-10-12-17-21-22-27-35-42-43-44-45-47-48-50-60-62-68-78, BE: 12 |
| <b>Poker Lotto</b>                                                | <b>Indiana</b>                                    | <b>Illinois</b>                                                     |
| 4C-6C-7C-7D-6H                                                    | <b>Cash 5</b>                                     | <b>LuckyDay Lotto Midday</b>                                        |
| <b>Midday Daily 3</b>                                             | 06-11-17-36-38                                    | 03-21-22-24-45                                                      |
| 7-4-1                                                             | <b>Cash4Life</b>                                  | <b>Pick Three-Midday</b>                                            |
| <b>Midday Daily 4</b>                                             | 05-16-18-42-43, Cash Ball: 1                      | 1-7-4, Fireball: 8                                                  |
| 6-2-7-2                                                           | <b>Quick Draw Midday</b>                          | <b>Pick Three-Evening</b>                                           |
| <b>Daily 3</b>                                                    | 08-13-14-17-19-21                                 | 3-3-7, Fireball: 8                                                  |
| 1-1-7                                                             | 22-31-41-42-47-51-59-60-69-71-74-77-78-80, BE: 47 | <b>Pick Four-Midday</b>                                             |
| <b>Daily 4</b>                                                    | <b>Daily Three-Midday</b>                         | 9-2-4-9, Fireball: 0                                                |
| 8-0-7-4                                                           | 4-3-5, SB: 9                                      | <b>Pick Four-Evening</b>                                            |
| <b>Fantasy 5</b>                                                  | <b>Daily Three-Evening</b>                        | 4-4-6-9, Fireball: 9                                                |
| 04-07-19-23-39                                                    | 0-1-5, SB: 9                                      | <b>Lucky Day Lotto</b>                                              |
| <b>Keno</b>                                                       | <b>Daily Four-Midday</b>                          | 01-09-10-19-45                                                      |
| 04-05-08-12-14-18-25-27-30-32-33-34-35-36-41-63-69-70-74-78-79-80 | 4-4-5-2, SB: 9                                    |                                                                     |
| <b>Mega Millions jackpot</b>                                      | <b>Daily Four-Evening</b>                         |                                                                     |
| \$65 million                                                      | 9-2-9-7, SB: 9                                    |                                                                     |
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The main beach at Caladesi Island State Park, a barrier island along the Gulf of Mexico, on Florida’s West Coast in Dunedin.

# Half of world’s sandy beaches at risk from climate change

By FRANK JORDANS  
Associated Press

BERLIN — Scientists say that half of the world’s sandy beaches could disappear by the end of the century if climate change continues unchecked.

Researchers at the European Union’s Joint Research Center in Ispra, Italy, used satellite images to track the way beaches have changed over the past 30 years and simulated how global warming might affect them in the future.

“What we find is that by the end of the century around half of the beaches in the world will experience erosion that is more than 100 meters,” said Michalis Voudoukas. “It’s likely that they will be lost.”

The study, published Monday in the journal Nature Climate Change, found that the extent to which beaches are at risk depends on how much average global temperatures increase by the year 2100. Greater temperature increases mean more sea level rise and more violent storms in some regions, causing more beaches to vanish beneath the waves.

“The projected shoreline changes will substantially impact the shape of the world’s coastline,” more than a third of which is sandy beach, the authors wrote.

Beaches are valuable for recreation, tourism and wildlife, while also providing a natural barrier that protects coastal communities from waves and storms.

Many coastal areas, including beaches, are already heavily affected by human activity such as seashore construction and inland dams, which reduce the amount of silt flowing into oceans that’s crucial for beach recovery.

Some countries will be more affected than others, the researchers said. Gambia and Guinea-Bissau in West Africa could lose more than 60 percent of their beaches, while predictions for Pakistan, the island of Jersey in the English Channel and the Comoros islands are similarly dire.

Australia would be hardest-hit in terms of total beach coastline lost, with over 7,080 miles at risk. The United States, Canada, Mexico, China, Russia, Argentina and Chile would also lose thousands of miles of beach, according to the study.

Andres Payo, an expert on coastal hazards and resilience at the British Geological Survey, said that while the study’s methods were sound, its claims should be treated with caution.

“There are many assumptions and generalizations that could change the outcome of the analysis both qualitatively and quantitatively,” said Payo, who wasn’t involved in the study.

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The group considered two different warming scenarios – one in which average global temperatures rise by 4.3 Fahrenheit by the end of the century and another that predicts an increase twice as high. The Paris climate accord’s most ambitious target, of capping warming at 1.5 C,



AP photo / Petros Karadjias  
People enjoy the popular beach of Navagio, or Shipwreck Beach, on the western island of Zakynthos, Greece.

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wasn’t considered because scientists consider it unlikely to be achieved, Voudoukas said.

The study’s authors calculated that up to 40 percent of shoreline retreat could be prevented by reducing the greenhouse gas emissions that are driving climate change, but said that large and growing populations living along the coast will also need to be protected through other measures.

Citing the example of the Netherlands, which has battled the sea for centuries and even reclaimed substantial areas of low-lying land, the authors said “past experience has shown that effective site-specific coastal planning can mitigate beach erosion, eventually resulting in a stable coastline.”

# 1st African American on Illinois high court dies at 86

CHICAGO (AP) — Justice Charles E. Freeman, the first African American to serve on the Illinois Supreme Court, died on Monday, according to a statement from the state’s high court. He was 86.

Current Chief Justice Anne M. Burke heralded Freeman as someone with a sharp legal mind who broke down barriers throughout his life.

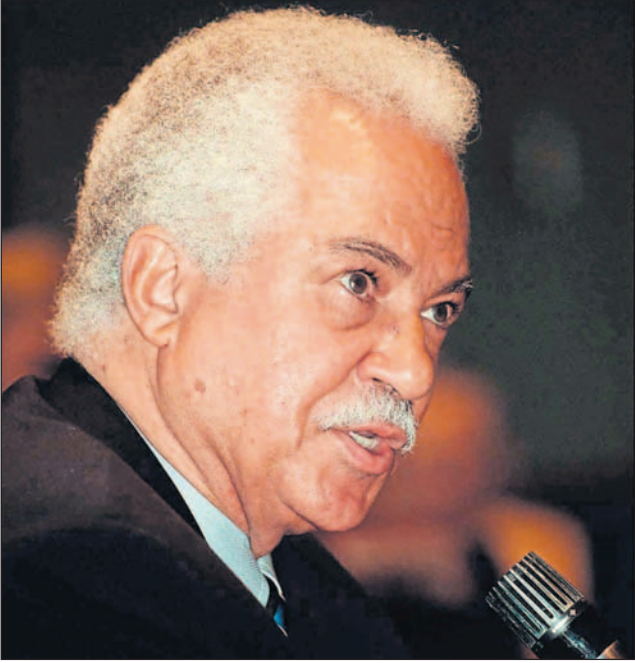
“Justice Freeman was ... a trailblazer,” she said in the statement announcing Freeman’s death. She added: “He was a gentleman and a truly gracious individual. I never heard him say an unkind word about anyone.

The statement didn’t include a cause death.

Freeman, who was also the first African American to become chief justice on the court, won election to the open seat in 1990 by defeating Republican candidate Robert Chapman Buckley with 62 percent of the vote. Freeman retired in 2018.

While a Cook County circuit judge from 1976 to 1986, Freeman was the first African American to swear in a Chicago mayor. It was Harold Washington, who became the city’s first black mayor in 1983.

Once asked about the significance of his becoming the first black chief justice in Illinois, Freeman said it would not influence his assessment of the



Seth Perlman / AP  
Justice Charles Freeman speaks to a panel during the second day of hearings in Springfield, Ill., in 1997, before an Illinois House panel probing Justice James Heiple’s possible impeachment.

law, according to the Monday’s statement.

“I’m an African American who now has become chief judge,” he said. “I’m not an African American chief justice. I have no different perception on what course I would take because of my heritage.”

Colleagues described Freeman as always prepared for oral arguments and judicial conferences. As chief justice, he upgraded an educational program for judges and

pushed for the creation of a special committee to study the death penalty and propose reforms.

In 1994, Freeman wrote the court’s majority opinion overturning the conviction of Rolando Cruz, who was convicted and sentenced to death for the murder of 10-year-old Jeanine Nicarico. Freeman asserted the jury heard improper evidence and wasn’t allowed to hear testimony that could have helped Cruz’s defense.

Brian Dugan later admitted to Nicarico’s murder and was sentenced to death. Dugan’s sentence was later commuted to life in prison after Illinois abolished capital punishment in 2011.

Freeman was born in Richmond, Virginia, on Dec. 12, 1933, a descendant of slaves who secured their freedom before the Civil War. As an undergrad, he studied at Virginia Union University and got his law degree from John Marshall Law School in 1962.

Burke described Freeman as a devoted family man, saying Freeman told her how his wife of more than 50 years, Marylee, would slip a love note into his suitcase every time he traveled to Springfield.

“I knew then that they had one of those storybook romances – everlasting,” Burke said.

The supreme court statement says Freeman is survived by his son, Kevin Freeman, two grandchildren and a brother in Virginia.

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**Board OKs package of park grants**

Pickleball courts desired at Carronde

By **JULIE SWIDWA**  
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — The St. Joseph Township Board on Monday approved the submission of grant application packages for three projects at two parks in the township. For the largest project, the township is applying to both the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund and the Land and Water Conservation Fund for money toward a \$400,000 development of a fishing platform, a kayak launch, walkways and parking at Carronde Park. The grant applications are for \$200,000, with the township matching \$200,000.

Township manager Denise Cook said applying to the MNRT and the LWCF gives the township a better chance at the money, which would only be approved by one or the other. On both applications, the township is offering a match higher than the 25 percent required, also giving the township a better chance, Cook said. The Carronde Park Water Trail Connection & Fishing Platform project for the 19-acre park calls for adding a water trail connection point on the St. Joseph River, an Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant fishing platform, accessible kayak launch, walkways and parking. Township officials said the development will provide the only ADA-accessible



Louise Wrege / HP staff

St. Joseph Township officials approved an application Monday to improve Kedzie Park by upgrading play structures there.

public kayak launch along the St. Joseph River water trail in Michigan.

“All improvements will support existing recreation at the site and further (the)

township goals of providing a variety of quality recreational environments and

opportunities readily accessible to all of its citizens regardless of ability,” the grant application states. The township will also apply to the MNRT for a \$50,000 grant toward a \$92,400 project that involves renovation of the existing 44-year-old tennis courts at Carronde Park. The township is committing to match 45 percent, paying \$42,400 toward the project. The courts, built in 1976, have outlived their usefulness, officials said. With a growing interest and demand for pickleball, plans call for renovating and keeping one court as a tennis court, and turning the second tennis court into two pickleball courts, and adding green

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**Hay fire**



Photo provided / South Haven Area Emergency Services

A truck driver escaped injury Monday morning when hay that he was hauling on a flatbed trailer caught fire on Interstate 196, near the Phoenix Road exit in South Haven. The trucker told first responders he pulled over onto the shoulder when he saw smoke through his rear-view mirrors. He and another truck driver tried unsuccessfully to douse the flames with extinguishers. South Haven Emergency Services got to the fire around 10 a.m. and were able to confine the fire to the front third of the truck's load. Responders then spent two hours off-loading the burning hay. The cab and trailer were not damaged and the truck driver continued his trip, minus the burned hay. South Haven police provided traffic control while the fire was being extinguished and the burned up hay was cleared away. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

**Recycling group aims to help 20 nonprofits in 2020**

By **ALEXANDRA NEWMAN**  
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — Recycling & Junk Patrol of Berrien County, a free haul-away recycling service, has announced it will spend 2020 giving back to 20 nonprofit organizations. Matt Genovese, owner and operator of Recycling & Junk Patrol, said Monday the organization is celebrating its 12th season this year of trying to keep as many things out of landfills as possible. “We usually help seven to 10 organizations a year, but we wanted to have some fun with it this year going into the Roaring '20s,” Genovese said. Some of the nonprofits that will benefit from donations and corded item fees are Southwest Michigan Human Trafficking Taskforce, Emergency Shelter Services Inc., Alex's Veggies, Paws of Hope,

Cycle-Re-Cycle and Berrien County Cancer Service. “We'll be helping the nonprofits through corded item pickup fees,” he said. “Then through the year, each month we'll work with two or three nonprofits and donate to them.” Genovese said he and his small team of family and friends will pick up TVs and monitors for \$30 a piece. The six major appliances that have cords, like washers, dryers, stoves, refrigerators, freezers and dishwashers, are \$5 each. All other corded items, whether one item or a truck load, are \$5. Recycling & Junk Patrol will also donate any money raised



GENOVESE

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BERRIEN SPRINGS

**Andreassen Center looks for more community involvement**

By **DEBRA HAIGHT**  
HP Correspondent

BERRIEN SPRINGS — Berrien Springs Village Trustee Kristin von Maur asked for fellow council members' advice Monday on how to get the community more involved with the new Andreassen Center for Wellness. The \$18.5 million center opened on the Andrews University campus last fall. Von Maur is an assistant

professor of architecture at Andrews and is on the university's community engagement task force. “We're hoping to get feedback from the community on how we might offer more services,” she said. “We are geared toward university students but we also want to serve the whole community.” She said she's heard people ask if the center has

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**New lunch restaurant slated for BH**

Happy Poochie Eatery to offer sandwiches, salads

By **TONY WITTKOWSKI**  
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — There's a new twist coming to downtown Benton Harbor. Lisa and Richard Gresens announced plans Monday to open a restaurant called the Happy Poochie Eatery at 325 Main St. by late spring or early summer. “Lisa and I have always wanted to have our own place and decided the time

was right,” Richard said. “I have been fortunate to experience her food over the years, but it's exciting to think that we are going to be able to share it with the community.” Described as a lunch restaurant, the Happy Poochie Eatery will specialize in artisan sandwiches and salads with seasonally crafted soups. The two plan to turn the inside of the eatery into a more “comforting atmosphere” that is both casual and fun to fit the name. “We wanted a fun name that makes you smile,” Lisa said. “Our grandson calls me ‘Poochie’ and the name

has a history with our family. On the other hand, I love making food that makes people happy.” Lisa has been in the food and restaurant industry for more than 30 years. She previously owned a restaurant and catering business in North Carolina, and has played an integral role in her brother's restaurants in the Detroit and St. Joseph area. Richard is an independent product designer, whose career focused on developing and bringing creative ideas to life through design at companies like Ford and Whirlpool. As co-owners, Richard

will handle front-of-the-house responsibilities while Lisa will coordinate the kitchen area. “She's creative with the food and I deal with the design portion of the restaurant,” Richard said. The eatery will offer a variety of fresh ingredients, nitrate-free meats and produce from local vendors. “(Lisa) has a knack when it comes to soups, sandwiches and salads,” Richard said. “She'll be adding little things to make it unique and different. She has this way of adding a nice twist.”

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**Dowagiac museum's speaker series starts Wednesday**

‘Dowagiac in the Civil War’ leads off series

By **HP STAFF**

DOWAGIAC — The Dowagiac Area History Museum has announced its 2020 Spring Lecture Series, which will kick off at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday with John Urschel presenting “Dowagiac in the Civil War.” The lecture series runs through June. Urschel's program will explore the three regiments that had the most enlistments for soldiers from the Dowagiac area throughout the war, including the 19th Michigan

Infantry that trained in Dowagiac. He will also discuss Cass County men who had the misfortune of being incarcerated in Andersonville prison, Ga., and what became of them after the war. “More than 1,600 Cass County men served in the Union forces during the Civil War, which was over half of the eligible men,” according to Museum Director Steve Arseneau in a news release. “John Urschel has done amazing research on our local Civil War soldiers and we are happy to have him share his knowledge.” Urschel worked as an archivist for the cities of

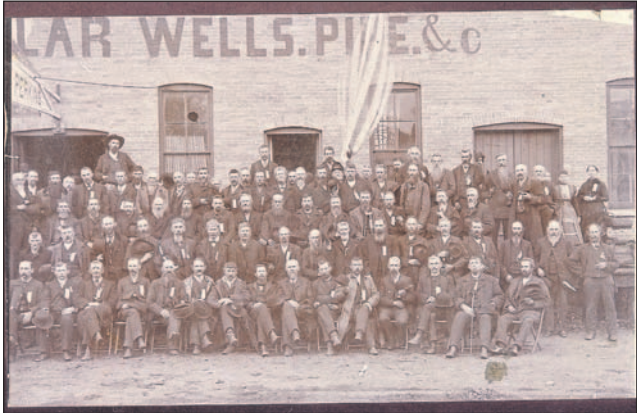


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Soldiers of the 19th Michigan Infantry pose in front of the L.J. Pray Building during a reunion in Dowagiac, sometime during the 1880s.

South Bend and Kalamazoo for decades. He has

authored a series of eight books on Michigan soldiers

in the Civil War detailing their war records. Urschel's latest project is researching what became of the 1,300 Michigan POWs at Andersonville after they were released. He has presented throughout the Midwest and will be venturing south of the Mason-Dixon Line for the first time this summer when he speaks to the Knoxville, Tenn. Civil War Roundtable. The lecture series continues April 1 with “Continuing Finds in Lake Michigan: The Search for the Chicora and Other Wrecks,” by Taras Lyssenko of A & T Recovery. The May 6 program will fea-

ture Dowagiac native Dick Paxson presenting “Operation Deep Freeze: Serving on the 1955-56 Mission to Antarctica.” Erika Kelsey Hartley of the Niles History Center will close out the series on June 3 with “Digging for Fort St. Joseph in Niles.” The program is free to museum members and \$5 for non-members. Children under 18 are admitted free. Membership will be available at the museum. The museum is at the corner of Division and West Railroad streets. For more information, call the museum at 783-2560 or visit www.dowagiacmuseum.info.

SOUTH HAVEN

# Kal-Haven named a Pure Michigan Trail by state

Trail is 1 of 3 to earn the honor this year

By **BECKY KARK**  
For The Herald-Palladium

SOUTH HAVEN — In 2019 South Haven earned the distinction of being named one of the first Pure Michigan Trail Towns in the state – an honor the city received for its connection of land and water-based recreational trails leading to its downtown. Now South Haven has earned another recreational status symbol with the Kal-Haven Trail being chosen this year as a Pure Michigan Trail. The 2020 Pure Michigan Trail Towns and Trails were announced recently by officials from the Department

of Natural Resources during the governor’s conference on tourism in Grand Rapids. Besides the 34-mile Kal-Haven Trail that leads from South Haven to Kalamazoo, the other Pure Michigan Trails this year include the Canada Lakes Pathway and Haywire Grade in Schoolcraft, and Alger counties in the Upper Peninsula. Also, Cheboygan, Orion Township in Oakland County and Reed City in Osceola County were chosen as trail towns. “With four seasons of trail recreation fun available, Michigan truly is home to a variety of great trails and trail towns,” said Paul Yauk, DNR state trails coordinator. “We are excited to recognize some of the best that provide people



Photo provided / Michigan DNR  
**A bicyclist rides alone one of the bridges on the 34-mile Kal-Haven Trail.**

with unique trails experiences every time they step outside.” South Haven tourism officials are pleased with the honor. “The Kal-Haven is a ma-

as a former South Haven & Kalamazoo Railroad route for 100 years is a key part of South Haven’s past.” Kal-Haven was chosen for several reasons, notably its proximity to a Pure Michigan Trail Town, its scenic bridges, and its designation as a state Heritage Trail because of the interpretive signs that were placed along the recreational path last year. The signs tell the history of the people and towns that once existed near the trail. The news bolsters the town’s tourism industry even more. “We know from research that outdoor recreational opportunities, including land- and water-based trails are very important factor for today’s visitors,” Reinert said. “So far, we’ve lever-

eraged this designation in our advertising efforts including print ads and billboards.” We’ll be installing new Trail Town signage and harborwalk signage and featuring our trails in additional marketing including our new Destination Guide and Trail map.” The Visitors Bureau is also working with area organizations and individuals to create additional canoe and kayak access points along the Black River Heritage Trail, and is working with Western Michigan University students to assist in the creation of a comprehensive trails recreation and marketing plan. “We think all of these efforts will continue to grow the awareness of our area for our trails assets,” Reinert said.

## Civil War roundtable to present ‘Beyond Nightengale and Barton’

March 10 event to feature expert from IU

ST. JOSEPH — The Civil War Roundtable of Southwest Michigan will present “Beyond Nightingale and Barton” on Tuesday, March 10, to assess the impact of civilian relief work during the Civil War – work that was performed primarily by women and led to the postwar professionalization of nursing. The program will feature Jane E. Schultz, a professor of

English, history and medical humanities at Indiana University in Indianapolis. According to a news release, this presentation puts to rest the mythology of war workers as “ministering angels” by examining the racial, class, religious, and gender demographics of more than 20,000 women who took care of fallen soldiers as nurses, cooks and laundresses during the war. Dr. Schultz will zero in on hospital workers’ interactions with surgeons, which figure prominently in their

accounts of war work. Although the majority of workers desired anonymity in the 1860s, many came to see their hospital work as symbolically equivalent to that of veterans by the 1880s and successfully agitated for nursing pensions in the 1890s. Schultz has published “Women at the Front: Hospital Workers in Civil War America.” Her 2004 work was a finalist for the Lincoln Prize. She also published “This Birth Place of Souls,” the diary of a New England

field nurse, in 2011. Schultz is currently at work on two Civil War-era books. The first, “Lead, Blood, and Ink,” is a study of wartime surgical culture. The second, “A Match Made in Hospital,” concerns the alliances forged in military hospitals when diverse populations came together in them. In addition to co-editing the Manchester University Press book series on Nursing History and Humanities, Schultz has written widely on cancer memoirs and is the board president of the Indiana Med-

ical History Museum in Indianapolis—one of only two remaining 19th-century surgical amphitheaters in the United States. The Civil War Roundtable of Southwest Michigan began as an outgrowth from a Civil War lecture series offered by Lest We Forget at Lake Michigan College in 2013. The group meets the second Tuesday during the months of September through June (with the exception of January), in the lower level of the First Con-

gregational Church, 2001 Niles Avenue, St. Joseph, MI at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free for students and \$5 for non-members. The purpose of the Roundtable is to foster interaction and learning among its members and guests with regards to all aspects of the Civil War. Participants reflect a wide range of expertise on the subject of the Civil War and all are welcome to join. More information is available at the club’s website at: [www.cwrtsmi.org](http://www.cwrtsmi.org)

BARODA

## Chill Hill winery plans concerts this summer

Other winery also cleared to locate downtown

By **WILLIAM F. AST III**  
HP Correspondent

BARODA — The streets of downtown Baroda will be “alive with the sound of music” this summer. On Saturday afternoons, at least. The Baroda Village Council on Monday voted unanimously to approve a proposal for the Chill Hill Winery, 8986 First St., to hold outdoor live concerts in a parking lot north of its building. “Let’s give it a shot,” said Trustee Larry Nye. “Let’s

see how it works out this summer.” Manager Dan Nitz said plans call for the concerts to be held from 3-7 p.m., twice a month, on Saturdays. The music should have a “trickle effect” benefitting the entire downtown, Nitz said after the meeting. “A little town needs something like this,” he continued. The music will include blues, country and salsa, Nitz said after the meeting. In a related area, the council also approved a liquor license and changed some zoning for a winery that plans to locate downtown. The La Reve Winery will be in the old King Products building on the northeast corner of First Street and

Lemon Creek Road. That area was zoned residential, and the council voted unanimously to change it to C-2 commercial. The permit is for a tasting room and wine manufacture. La Reve will also have an art gallery, Clerk Tina Martin said after the meeting. Council President Bob Getz after the meeting said it’s all a part of Baroda’s “slow but steady” progress. The wine business “is definitely bringing people downtown,” Getz said after the meeting. “...We have several (winery tour) buses every weekend in town. The businesses that are here, the food establishments, the convenience store, all benefit.” The building that will

house the winery, which already has two businesses, was nonconforming for a residential area, Getz said. That meant it could not be rebuilt if it was somehow destroyed. Also Monday, the council approved a budget for the 2020-21 fiscal year that starts April 1. Clerk Martin after the meeting said the current year’s budget has general fund revenues of \$985,265 and expenses of \$671,705. The new budget will have revenues of \$425,655 and expenses of \$372,216, she said. This year’s revenues were boosted by funds for the Industrial Park, Martin said. That project is now nearly complete.

The council voted to name as vacant the trustee post previously held by Steve Jasper. The council accepted his resignation in February, but Getz said the council must formally declare it vacant before accepting a replacement. Any village resident interested in the position should contact the Village Hall, officials said. The council also approved a lot split for Dennis and Diane Varo on Sonoma Court. Getz said the family of the late Frank Small is donating Small’s sculpture to the village. The sculpture stands outside the Baroda Municipal Building, which includes both village and Baroda Township offices.

### IN BRIEF

**Snow day? No, it's illness – again – in school district**  
ROGERS CITY (AP) — Illness – not snow – canceled classes Monday for a fourth time at a school district in Michigan’s northern Lower Peninsula. “I hope that this is the last of it,” Rogers City Superintendent Nick Hein told The Alpena News. Bad weather hasn’t scratched classes this year in Rogers City, which is along Lake Huron, 60 miles southeast of the Mackinac Bridge. But illness is another story. The district has roughly 510 students. A quarter of them were out Friday. “My school nurse has confirmed the majority of it was the flu,” Hein said of students who were absent.

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any child-care services or free offerings. Other council members agreed, saying they’ve had people ask about the possibility of buying passes to use just the center’s regular and saltwater pools, and not have to pay for the other services the center offers. Von Maur’s comments echoed those made by Wellness Center Director Dominique Gummelt last fall when she came to the council to tell them about the new center. Gummelt noted that the university wants to work with the community to find ways they can improve people’s health. Gummelt and other university officials said last fall that the center is not just a fitness center, but also a place where people can meet, work out, swim, get healthy food, learn about health subjects and just relax.

Monday’s council meeting was the first with new Village President Jesse Hibler. Hibler took over the president post last month after Milt Richter announced he was stepping down. Hibler and Richter ended up trading positions, with Richter taking Hibler’s trustee seat. Hibler isn’t making many changes to village government. He is keeping committee membership the same for the most part, only moving Jack Davis from the utilities committee to the public properties and ordinance committee, and Barry Gravitt from public properties and ordinance to utilities. Hibler is also taking over chairmanship of the finance and personnel committee from Richter. Comments made by Hibler at the end of the meeting seemed to indicate that he plans to make code enforcement a priority. He encouraged council members to take pictures of trash and other code violations and send the pictures with

accompanying addresses to him. He said he would then work with Code Enforcement Officer Shane Daniel to correct the situations. Council members appeared to have no problem with the renewed code enforcement effort, only saying that they want to make sure that the enforcement is not selective. Hibler reminded council members of the upcoming July 21 filing deadline to run for the council this November, as well as the need for them to fill out their disclosure forms in connection with the new ethics ordinance the council approved last month. The two-year president post, three four-year trustee positions and one partial two-year trustee post are on the ballot. The three four-year trustee posts up for election are those now held by von Maur, Davis and Gravitt. The partial trustee term up for election is the one now held by Richter.

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space to separate the two activities. The project also will include ADA compliant surfaces for spectator viewing and resting areas for players. A 6-foot-wide concrete path will provide access to the courts from the parking lot. Pickleball is a sport that combines elements of

tennis, badminton and table tennis. Two or four players use solid paddles made of wood or composite materials to hit a perforated ball, with 26-40 round holes, over a net. The sport shares the dimensions and layout of a badminton court, and a net and rules somewhat similar to tennis, with several modifications. Pickleball was invented in the mid-1960s as a children’s backyard game and is fast gaining popularity, espe-

cially among people age 55 and older. The township also will apply to MNRT for a \$50,000 grant toward a \$84,600 project at Kedzie Park. The township has committed to matching 40 percent, \$34,600. This project involves replacing a 30-year-old play structure and surfacing with new ADA-accessible play equipment. *Contact: [jswidwa@TheHP.com](mailto:jswidwa@TheHP.com), 932-0359, [twitter@hpswidwa](https://twitter.com/hpswidwa)*

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through its free haul-away of recycling, like metals, aluminums and cast irons. They’ll pick up donations and yard sale items for free. They also do free estimates to haul away junk. Genovese said the Recycling & Junk Patrol Facebook page is a good place to see what nonprofit it is currently raising money or

supplies for. For example, this week all proceeds will go to the Southwest Michigan Human Trafficking Taskforce, and the last week of March, the organization will do a cleaning supply drive for Emergency Shelter Services. Normally Recycling & Junk Patrol shuts down from November through February, but Genovese said he’s worked right on through this year because of the mild weather. They are also look-

ing to expand their fleet of pick up trucks to include a box truck. “Taking Care of Business is this year’s motto,” Genovese said. “We think that one person can make a difference, but when we come together, we can make a huge difference.” To schedule a pickup, donate or for more information call 369-1678, or email [recyclingpatrol@yahoo.com](mailto:recyclingpatrol@yahoo.com). *Contact: [anewman@TheHP.com](mailto:anewman@TheHP.com), 932-0357, [Twitter: @HPANewman](https://twitter.com/HPANewman)*

### RESTAURANT

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#### A fresh start

The Gresens started pursuing the idea of opening a restaurant last summer. But finding the best location didn’t come to fruition until fall. The building at 325 W. Main St. is home to the large “FOOD” sign and has seen several businesses come and

go over the years. However, the new owners are looking to change the narrative. “It met what we were looking for. We were in search of something in the middle of everything,” Richard said. “We liked the traffic that comes through, its proximity to all the corporations and we wanted to help revitalize some things in downtown Benton Harbor.”

Not many businesses have found success at that location over the past decade. Flagship True North Fish Market was in operation for six months at 325 Main St. before closing in November. The building also housed Mosaic on Main – what was the former Cafe Mosaic – until it closed in the summer of 2018. It’s also been home to several diners over the years, from King Kong Xpress to

Bonnie’s Breakfast Nook, the All American Diner and Harbor Dogs & Sliders. For a number of years dating back to the 1950s and into the early 1970s, Bob’s Snappy Service was a mainstay. Richard said it’s their goal create a mainstay. “A lot of people brought up the history of that place. We also want to change the perception of that,” Richard said. “It will be different inside from what people are

used to. We want to change the exterior of the building. We want it to be inviting.” Happy Poochie Eatery is looking to employ a staff of eight to 10. Catering and food delivery is also in the mix for future consideration, Richard said. There will be more information to come regarding hours of operation and menu items. However, Richard said they’re looking at a Monday through

Friday schedule at first, to gauge how things will go. Richard said the first couple of weeks would determine the eatery’s hours of operations. “We are excited to be an integral part of the community, a catalyst for growth downtown, and another notable food destination in Benton Harbor,” Richard said. *Contact: [twittkowski@TheHP.com](mailto:twittkowski@TheHP.com), 932-0358, [Twitter: @TonyWittkowski](https://twitter.com/TonyWittkowski)*



Former president Barack Obama talks with MSNBC's Chris Matthews during a break in the taping of an interview for the "Hardball with Chris Matthews" show at American University in Washington in 2013.

# Chris Matthews retires from MSNBC, cites comments to women

NEW YORK (AP) — Longtime MSNBC host Chris Matthews abruptly retired from his "Hardball" show on Monday, apologizing for making inappropriate comments about women and saying "a younger generation is ready to take the reins."

His exit came after a week-end of discussions with his bosses, three days after GQ ran a column by a freelance journalist about her "own sexist run-in" with Matthews in the makeup room before appearing on his show in the past.

Matthews opened his program Monday with the an-

nouncement he was ending his run on the political talk show he started in 1997, talking in his familiar staccato style. After a commercial break, he was replaced in the anchor chair by a shaken Steve Kornacki.

"This is the last 'Hardball' on MSNBC, and obviously this isn't for lack of interest in politics," Matthews said.

He said that "compliments on a woman's appearance that some men, including me, might have incorrectly thought were OK were never OK. Not then, and certainly not today, and for making such comments in the past, I'm sorry."

It was a week after Matthews opened his show with another apology, for likening Bernie Sanders' win the Nevada caucus to the Nazi takeover of France.

He said he remained proud of the work he's done on the show, he said. "Hardball" began on CNBC and moved two years later to MSNBC.

In her first-person story, journalist Laura Bassett said Matthews behaved inappropriately toward her when she was guest on his show.

"In 2016, right before I had to go on his show and talk about sexual-assault allegations against Donald Trump, Matthews looked over at me

in the makeup chair next to him and said, 'Why haven't I fallen in love with you yet?' When I laughed nervously and said nothing, he followed up to the makeup artist. 'Keep putting makeup on her, I'll fall in love with her,'" Bassett wrote. "Another time, he stood between me and the mirror and complimented the red dress I was wearing for the segment. 'You going out tonight?' he asked."

Bassett said she written about the encounter in a 2017 essay but didn't name Matthews because she was afraid of network retaliation, adding, "I'm not anymore."

# Coder charged in massive CIA leak portrayed as vindictive

By **JIM MUSTIAN**  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A software engineer on trial in the largest leak of classified information in CIA history was "prepared to do anything" to betray the agency, federal prosecutors said Monday as a defense attorney argued the man had been scapegoated for a breach that exposed secret cyberweapons and spying techniques.

A Manhattan jury heard conflicting portrayals of Joshua Schulte, a former CIA coder accused of sending the anti-secrecy group WikiLeaks a large portion of the agency's computer hacking arsenal — tools the agency had used to conduct espionage operations overseas.

Schulte left a trail of evidence despite learned attempts to erase his digital fingerprints, Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew Laroche said in closing arguments. Schulte became disgruntled at the CIA, he said, and took meticulous steps to plan — and cover up — the 2016 theft.

"He was the only one who had the motive, the means and the opportunity to steal the information," Laroche said. "He was prepared to do anything to get back at the CIA."

Defense attorney Sabrina Shroff called Schulte a patriot who was wrongly accused by an agency under intense pressure to solve the embarrassing leak. The four-week trial raised more questions than it answered and exposed alarming security lapses within the agency, she said.

"The government cannot tell you which of the many people with access to this data" stole the classified archive, she said. "It wasn't Mr. Schulte who did this."

Jurors are expected to begin deliberating Tuesday. Schulte faces counts of il-

legal gathering of national defense information, unauthorized computer access, theft of government property and making false statements, among other charges.

Schulte, 31, worked for a CIA group in Langley, Virginia, that designs computer code to spy on foreign adversaries. The so-called Vault 7 leak revealed how the CIA would hack Apple and Android cellphones in overseas spying operations.

Prosecutors have said the leak was devastating to national security, as it exposed CIA operatives, brought intelligence gathering to a halt and left allies wondering whether the U.S. could be trusted with sensitive information.

"The defendant was prepared to burn down the United States government," Laroche said. "He is an angry and vindictive man."

The government settled too hastily on Schulte as the leaker, Shroff said, ignoring suspicious activity by one of his colleagues who was ultimately suspended. The prosecution theory has "giant holes," she said, including the unresolved question of why WikiLeaks waited nearly a year to publish the archive.

The data was stolen from a CIA network that was so insecure — one witness called it "the wild wild west" — that investigators could not trace the leak with any certainty, she said.

But prosecutors said a sequence of subterfuge implicated Schulte, including deleting computer logs from his CIA work station and restoring administrator privileges from which the agency had stripped him. He made dozens of searches for WikiLeaks in the ensuing months and became "obsessed" with whether his leak had been published, prosecutors said.

# Man gets 5+ years' prison for harassing Parkland victims

By **CURT ANDERSON**  
AP Legal Affairs Writer

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — A California man who is on the autism spectrum was sentenced Monday to more than five years in prison for cyberstalking families of Parkland, Florida, school shooting victims.

U.S. District Judge Rodolfo Ruiz imposed the sentence on 22-year-old Brandon Fleury of Santa Ana, California, rejecting a request by prosecutors for the maximum 20-year sentence.

Fleury was convicted by a jury in October of three counts of cyberstalking and one count of transmitting a kidnapping threat.

Trial evidence showed that between December 2018 and January 2019, Fleury used several Instagram accounts to threaten and harass families of victims of the Valentine's Day 2018 shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, which left 17 dead and 17 wounded.

In some messages, he claimed kinship with and even impersonated shooting defendant Nikolas Cruz. In others, he invoked the names of infamous serial killers such as Ted Bundy.

"I killed your loved ones hahaha," one message said. "Did you like my Valentines gift? I killed your friends," said another.

One of his user names was "nikolas.cruz.killed.your.sister," court records show. One message from that account said this:

"Hahaha she had her whole life ahead of her and I STOLE IT FROM HER," according to court documents.

"The victims lived in constant fear that the individual

bombarding them" with the messages would follow in Cruz's footsteps, Assistant U.S. Attorney Ajay Alexander said in court papers.

"The victims deserve justice. They deserve to live in peace and with the belief that they are safe and secure."

On Fleury's electronic devices, authorities also found thousands of saved images of Bundy, images of the targeted victims and screenshots of the messages that he had sent the victims.

"The danger that Fleury poses is clear and if given the opportunity, there is a real danger that he will attempt to follow in the footsteps of the very mass murderers and serial killers that he idolizes," Alexander said.

There was ample testimony at Fleury's trial that he is autistic, although several mental health experts said he did understand right from wrong.

Yet his attorney, Sabrina Puglisi, said she had hoped the judge would give great weight to his mental issues in imposing a sentence.

"I think that it's a high sentence given Brandon's background and other similarly situated cases, but I believe that the judge felt the need to have the sentence send a message to others that are out there on the internet doing this bad behavior," Puglisi said.

Meanwhile, Cruz, 21, faces the death penalty if convicted in the Parkland shooting. His lawyers have said he would plead guilty in exchange for a life prison sentence, but prosecutors have rejected the offer.

Cruz's trial is expected to begin sometime later this year.

By **CARLA K. JOHNSON**  
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SEATTLE — An increase in testing for the coronavirus began shedding light Monday on how the illness has spread in the United States, including in Washington state, where four people died at a nursing home and some schools were closed for disinfection.

New diagnoses in several states pushed the tally of COVID-19 cases past 100, and New Hampshire reported its first case, raising the total of affected states to 11. Seattle officials announced four more deaths, bringing the total in the U.S. to six.

In Seattle, King County Executive Dow Constantine declared an emergency and said the county was buying a hotel to be used as a hospital for patients who need to be isolated. He said the facility should be available by the end of the week.

"We have moved to a new stage in the fight," he said.

Vice President Mike Pence met with the nation's governors and pledged to continue updating them weekly by teleconference. President Donald Trump met with pharmaceutical companies to talk about progress toward a vaccine.

The deaths at a nursing home in suburban Kirkland, Washington, were especially troubling to health care experts because of the vulnerability of sick and elderly people to the illness and existing problems in nursing facilities.

"It's going to be a disaster," said Charlene Harrington, who studies nursing homes at the University of California, San Francisco. Infection is already a huge problem in U.S. nursing homes because of a lack of nurses and training.

In Texas, tension between U.S. and local officials brewed over the planned release Monday of more than 120 ex-pas-



Dr. Jeff Duchin, Health Officer, Public Health – Seattle & King Co. addresses the press on immediate actions and updates on Monday.

sengers of the Diamond Princess cruise ship in quarantine in San Antonio. Mayor Ron Nirenberg declared a public safety emergency in an attempt to continue the quarantine. He and other officials in San Antonio called for more lab testing of the passengers after one woman tested positive after release.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said its case count includes 45 infections among people who were on the cruise ship, one more than previously reported. The count includes people who tested positive after returning from travel to outbreak areas in other parts of the world, their close contacts and infections that appear to be from community spread — people who did not travel or have known contact with other infected people.

The CDC recently broadened its guidelines for who should be tested for the new

virus to include people with symptoms but without a travel history to virus hot zones.

More testing will bring more confirmed cases, experts said, but they cautioned that does not mean the virus is gaining speed. Instead, the testing is likely to reveal a picture of the virus' spread that was previously invisible.

In Seattle, schools and one skyscraper closed, but health experts cautioned that closures can have downsides.

On Monday, the F5 technology company said it was closing its 44-story tower in downtown Seattle after learning an employee had been in contact with someone who tested positive for coronavirus. The employee tested negative, but company spokesman Rob Gruening said the tower was closed as a precaution.

More than 10 schools in the Seattle area were closed for deep cleaning over virus con-

cerns, although the city-county public health department said it was not yet recommending longer-term school closures or cancellation of activities.

Closing schools and canceling large gatherings are what's called social distancing, the idea that distancing people will reduce the spread of the illness.

The evidence for those steps is "not as strong as we would like it to be," Jennifer Nuzzo of the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security cautioned Monday during a webinar.

Measures such as school closures have been used during flu outbreaks, but the new coronavirus isn't acting exactly like flu. And such steps are not guaranteed to protect.

"Maybe it makes people more likely to stay at home. Maybe it doesn't if people re-congregate elsewhere," Nuzzo said.

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# How a virus could impact the election

CHARLESTON, S.C. – Politics can turn on a cough or a sneeze. One day, we're asking ourselves which presidential candidate we'd rather drink a beer with or, these days, which Democrat can defeat Donald Trump?

The next, we're wondering whether we'll live to see Election Day.

A friend of mine chooses her candidate by asking herself:

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Which of these people can I picture sitting across from Vladimir Putin? In other words, who's tough, savvy, experienced and knowledgeable enough to negotiate successfully with a former KGB agent?

As of this week, with the coronavirus picking up speed and global markets dipping in response, voters may need to ask a different set of questions in their calculations. Who would they trust to manage a pandemic?

We're not panicking yet, but increased media coverage and the White House's delay in anticipating and organizing preemptive measures could bring us closer to a real sense of danger and fear. Adding to concerns is this: Two people in Northern California have caught the virus who have neither traveled to a place where it is already spreading nor had contact with someone already diagnosed with the illness.

Additionally, a whistleblower has charged that Health and Human Services staffers were "improperly deployed" to greet Americans being repatriated after traveling in Wuhan, China, the epicenter of the outbreak. In her complaint, the whistleblower alleged that "appropriate steps were not taken to quarantine, monitor, or test [the workers] during their deployment and upon



their return home." Meanwhile, President Trump's designation of Vice President Pence as his coronavirus "czar" has created an uproar both because of Pence's presumed lack of qualifications and because he has ordered that all virus-related information will be filtered through his office. While this may sound extreme, there's some logic in trying to ensure that all information is consistent and accurate.

This isn't to say that Pence is the best person for the job, plainly. But the White House may be the least relevant component of our present defenses against this bug. Far more important are the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, where scientists are working overtime to develop more-effective tests and a vaccine. Clinical trials are underway on a vaccine, but we're a year away from an inoculation for the general public, according to Francis Collins, head of NIH.

In an "Influencers" interview with Yahoo Finance editor in chief Andy Serwer in early

February, Collins said that both the CDC and NIH are in daily communication with each other, as well as with the White House – several times a day. Also, he said, scientists from both agencies know each other well and work together with a long-standing agility.

Needless to say, Trump, by his belated attention to the virus, has handed his Democratic opponents an epic issue. Some candidates have wasted no time. Joe Biden wants to send our scientists to China. Volunteers? Elizabeth Warren wants to redirect funding from Trump's "racist" border wall and use it to combat the virus. (The NIH already has a \$41.46 billion budget for 2020, a 6 percent increase from last year.)

Mike Bloomberg, hailing his crisis management and health experience as New York's post-9/11 mayor, has hammered Trump at every campaign stop in advance of Super Tuesday. Say what you will about Bloomberg's lack of charisma, but his skills do seem well-suited to the moment, while Bernie Sanders sounds tethered to a bygone

era of '60s radicalism and revolution.

Already, Bloomberg's campaign has released an emergency preparedness plan, and has placed virus-related ads in all 50 states. Talk about organization.

Likewise, Warren, who can't have left anyone wondering whether she can "get it done," seems to have a plan for everything. It's easy to forget amid the mudslinging and noise that Warren, while a Harvard law professor, proposed and created the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

Every crisis changes priorities and perspectives. Suddenly, the soothing tones and clear thinking of a Pete Buttigieg seem less important than proven experience managing big problems on a large scale. Much can happen between now and November, obviously.

But if Americans start getting sick in large numbers, or worse, there will be little affection for an administration that wasn't prepared.

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# The enduring mystery of Trump and Russia

It's no secret why Vladimir Putin would want Donald Trump re-elected: no other American president would have been as forgiving of his efforts to create chaos and destabilize the Western alliance.

But the mystery remains why Trump has been such a willing participant, repeatedly excusing Putin for everything from aggression toward Ukraine to meddling in American elections.

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The issue arose again recently when Trump replaced the acting national director of intelligence, after a top subordinate told the House Intelligence Committee that Russia is repeating its 2016 interference, again on Trump's behalf. A subsequent report said they're also helping Sen. Bernie Sanders in the Democratic race – again.

Trump was angry the intelligence assessment was provided to Democratic lawmakers, lest they use it against him. His reaction resembles his past efforts to absolve Russians of interference, lest they appear responsible for his very close 2016 victory, not his own political acuity.

He argues, and it is true, that his administration maintains anti-Russian sanctions and has increased defense spending. But Trump has taken policy decisions helping Putin like removing U.S. troops from Syria and raising questions about U.S. willingness to fulfill its NATO commitments.

Analysts have raised various potential explanations:

A desire to reorient global geopolitics? Trump's belief in the importance of personal relationships? His admiration of autocrats like North Korea's Kim Jong Un and Putin who rule with minimal constitutional constraints? Something involving his personal finances, like long-time Russian support for his real estate empire? Or all of the above?

Trump's personal interest in forging closer U.S. relations with the old Soviet Union dates back to a rejected 1984 bid to mediate the global nuclear arms race and his initial 1987 Moscow visit to discuss building a Moscow Trump Tower.

Trump's financial relationship with the Russians is shrouded in the mystery enveloping his tax returns. Their secrecy has been a major Trump obsession, perhaps because of what they would reveal about the true extent of his wealth or foreign investment in his businesses.

Trump has repeatedly denied doing any personal business with Russia, almost certainly another of the thousands of lies since he became a significant political figure.

"Russians make up a pretty disproportionate cross section of a lot of our assets," Donald Trump Jr. told a 2008 New York real estate conference. "We see a lot of money pouring in from Russia."

Wealthy Russians purchased millions of dollars of units in Trump-owned apartment buildings in the United States, Reuters and McClatchy have reported. Craig Unger, author of a 2018 book on Trump and Putin, contends Russians "used Trump-branded real estate to launder vast amounts of money by buying multimillion-dollar condos through anonymous shell companies."

More recently, the relationship has centered on politics. Trump backed Putin's 2014 seizure of Crimea from Ukraine, its neighbor and former fellow Soviet republic. As Western nations led by President Barack Obama united to condemn Russia, Trump declared "the people of Crimea ... would rather be with Russia."

Rather than blame Putin for his naked aggression, Trump faulted Obama, declaring in 2018, "President Obama lost Crimea because President Putin didn't respect President Obama, didn't respect our country and didn't respect Ukraine."

At the 2016 Republican National Convention, Trump's allies weakened a platform clause reflecting GOP support for Ukraine, replacing language urging "lethal defensive weapons" for Ukraine with a softer provision urging "appropriate assistance."

His administration actually increased aid to Ukraine, despite last year's delay that led to Trump's impeachment and frequent reports he privately condemned Ukrainian corruption.

Trump's Helsinki summit with Putin in July 2018 provided the most public example of the American president siding with his Russian counterpart on the issue of who meddled in the 2016 U.S. election.

"President Putin says it's not Russia," Trump said, standing next to the Russian leader. "I don't see any reason why it would be."

Meanwhile, Putin pushed the unproven alternative explanation blaming Ukraine, a theory Trump's own cybersecurity adviser, Thomas Bossert, said was "completely debunked." When other advisers sought to dissuade Trump from blaming Ukraine, the Washington Post reported, he said he knew that was correct because "Putin told me."

Some Republicans were candid about Trump and Russia before all closed ranks behind him.

Most Democrats believe that – somehow, for some reason – Putin continues to influence Trump.

"All roads lead to Putin," House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said last fall, explaining that's why Trump undertook the steps leading to his impeachment: withholding U.S. aid and a promised White House meeting to convince Ukraine's new president to reopen probes of former Vice President Joe Biden, his son and Ukraine's 2016 role.

One day, this mystery will likely be solved. The world will learn if Trump's motivation was his decadeslong desire for closer U.S.-Russian ties or something else.

Meanwhile, his sensitivity toward anything involving Russia continues to affect U.S. policy to a dangerous degree, something that could increase if an unfettered Trump wins a second term.

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## ANOTHER OPINION

### Sanders' child care plan lacks nuance

Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders (I) criticizes Democrats for lacking the courage to think big. But it takes no courage to promise impossible levels of new spending and programs that could not work as advertised. It takes courage to level with voters. Sanders' rivals for the Democratic presidential nomination have done far better at that. Fresh off a big win in the Nevada caucuses, last week he released his latest massive spending proposal, a plan to enable all Americans to get child care. It is similar to the universal child-care plans that Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., previously rolled out, except it would cost more than twice as much.

Each candidate's plan would provide universal access to child care. Each would rely on a mix of organizations – from small, home-based facilities to large day-care centers to public schools. And each would apply new standards to the child-care industry and raise the pay of child-care providers. But Warren's plan would cost \$700 billion over a decade, and Sanders's \$1.5 trillion. What's the big difference? In large part, it is that Sanders would make government-sponsored child care free to all, even the wealthiest of families. Warren would ask families that could afford to pay something to do so.

Sanders says he can pay for his unnecessarily expensive approach with money he would raise from his proposed wealth tax. But economists calculate a gap of \$1 trillion or more between what his wealth tax would raise and what he claims it would raise. Given the massive shifts in taxation that Sanders is already proposing, meeting the shortfall with additional taxes would be extremely hard. Even if Sanders led a political revolution that reshaped Congress, making his plans more politically viable, the country does not have an unlimited supply of money that can be diverted into the federal treasury without consequences for economic growth. True progressives recognize that federal money is scarce and must be spent carefully, with the poorest first in line, so that many needs can be met.

Mr. Sanders presents himself as the only one who really cares about issues such as health care, climate change and pre-K. But other Democratic candidates, not Mr. Sanders, are treating these issues with the seriousness they deserve.

– The Washington Post

# Super Tuesday's complicated politics

Former Vice President Joe Biden's sweeping victory in South Carolina turned him into the only viable alternative to Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders for the Democratic presidential nomination, but there may also be a more subtle force at work in the primaries

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of Super Tuesday: the coronavirus and the fears it has inspired. If a majority of Democrats was intent on the question of who can beat President Trump even before the virus's outbreak, Trump's partisan, divisive and fact-denying response to the crisis underscored just how dangerous it would be to keep him in office for four more years.

This could push primary voters even harder to consider the question of whom they trust most to wield power in the Oval Office. Former New York Mayor Mike Bloomberg tried to capitalize on this feeling with an ad in which he talked about the threat of the virus in a setting that made it look as though he was already president. But Biden hopes that he will be the main beneficiary of the public's uneasiness because it will reinforce his underlying appeal to the value of experience, the virtues of safety and the need to restore stability in governance.

Yet Biden has no time to convert his South Carolina landslide into delegates in the 14 states at stake today. And early voting will complicate his task.

Democrats who made their choices before South Carolina did so before the contours of the Biden-Sanders confrontation were defined. This means that former South Bend, Indiana, Mayor Pete

Buttigieg (now out of the race), Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar (also out) and Bloomberg already have votes in the box that might otherwise have shifted to Biden. Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren also has her share of early votes, although a significant number of her voters might have gone to Sanders rather than Biden.

There is also the tricky math of Democratic Party rules, which could swing scores (and perhaps hundreds) of delegates in California. It awards 144 of its delegates on the basis of the statewide vote and 271 by congressional district. A candidate who receives 15 percent of the votes statewide wins a share of those at-large delegates. A candidate who falls under 15 percent gets none. If only Sanders passes the threshold, he wins all 144 of those statewide delegates.

Polls suggest that Sanders is poised to win a substantial California victory. Biden has hopes now that his South Carolina success may allow him to get over the threshold, which he desperately needs to do. But holding off a Sanders runaway in the biggest state may require at least one more candidate to hit the threshold, too. It's not clear if any of them can, although the surveys suggest that Warren may be in the best position to do so.

Then there is the Bloomberg Effect. Bloomberg, who has spent hundreds of millions of dollars across Super Tuesday states, could help halt a Sanders delegate pileup by hitting the threshold in states such as Texas, Virginia, Arkansas, Oklahoma and perhaps Tennessee. But Bloomberg's presence could also stop Biden from winning outright in those states.

A recent Public Policy Polling survey in Tex-

as pointed to Biden's Bloomberg problem. It offered respondents two scenarios: one with Bloomberg in the race and one without him. With Bloomberg in, Biden was neck-and-neck with Sanders. Without Bloomberg, it showed Biden winning Texas rather handily. But in real life, Bloomberg is on the ballot, and more recent polls suggest Sanders had opened a lead.

Lastly, Biden will be rooting for Warren to win in Massachusetts, because Sanders is also strong there.

What Biden does have is momentum and endorsements. Without a lot of cash, he is counting on Sen. Tim Kaine, D-Virginia, and former governor Terry McAuliffe to push his message across in Virginia. Biden hopes for the same in California from Sen. Dianne Feinstein, former senator Barbara Boxer, former CIA director Leon Panetta and Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti. Sanders will say it's all a sign of "the Establishment" ganging up on him. It's a risk Biden is more than happy to take.

But the main effect of South Carolina may be on Biden himself. After a series of primary and caucus losses, the former vice president was looking beleaguered and tired, reinforcing fears among Democrats about his own "electability." His victory speech on Saturday – focused, moving and strategic – began to ease those doubts.

Biden has a long way to go, and Sanders will always enjoy a big enthusiasm edge. But Biden now has at least some evidence for his case that he is not only the nominee most likely to beat Trump, but also, in an anxious moment, the most plausible president.

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OBITUARIES



Fletcher Earl Clark Sr.

Sept. 24, 1928 - Feb. 21, 2020

Fletcher Earl Clark Sr., at the seasoned age of 91, made his transition Feb. 21, 2020, at T. Boone Pickens Hospice and Palliative Care in Dallas.

Fletcher Sr. was born Sept. 24, 1928, in Peoria, Ill., to Earl Fletcher and Daisy Elms Clarke. He had two brothers, Jack and John Henry, and two sisters, Jeanie Townes and Pathenia Clarke. In 1952, Fletcher Sr. married his beloved wife, Laura Jane Sears, and to this union five children were born: Dennis, Douglas, Fletcher Jr., Gary and Nancy. In 1965, Fletcher Sr. relocated his family from Pontiac, Ill., to Covert, and later to South Haven. Fletcher Sr., a longstanding pillar in the community of South Haven, was a veteran and served his country as an expert marksman in World War II. He was a member of the Local VFW.

Fletcher Sr. (affectionately known as Grandad) was a humorous storyteller at heart. He loved telling stories of being in the military, growing up in Peoria, meeting his wife and the wisdom of life he gained along the years. He loved his cars and cell phones. He enjoyed watching western movies, reading comics from the newspaper, driving to the beach, drinking milkshakes, getting a fresh haircut, wearing square toe and ever-so-neatly hand-polished dress shoes and nice watches, as well as watching NASCAR. His favorite hobby was engaging in CB radio communications with CB

friends (his CB handle was “DOC”). Most importantly, he loved doing for others and spending time with his family. His passion was his work and family. He dedicated himself to the medical profession as a physician’s assistant in South Haven, Watervliet and Berrien Springs hospitals for over 50 years. During his latter years, he became an insurance medical examiner and maintained his credentials as a CPR instructor.

Fletcher Sr. is preceded in death by his son, Douglas Clark; brothers, Jack and John Henry; and sister, Pathenia Clarke.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Laura Clark; children, Dennis, Fletcher Jr. (Jill), Gary and Nancy (Robert); sister, Jeanie Townes; grandchildren: Dennis Jr., Deborah (Mike), Kenya (Dennie), Douglas, Fletcher III, Courtnei, Tamera (Felix), DeKwan, Tearni (Jermaine), Danyelle, Danica, DeTavion, Dominick, Christine, Alicia, Noah, Cera (Treshaunne) and Nia. In addition, he leaves to mourn great- and great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

The family will meet friends from 1 p.m. until the time of service at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 7, at Emmanuel Community Church in South Haven. Interment will follow in Lakeview Cemetery, South Haven. [www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com](http://www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com).

Vonda L. Johnson, 87, of St Joseph, formerly of Coloma passed at Woodland Terrace in Bridgman on Feb. 29, 2020.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 7, at Duffield & Pastrick Family Funeral Home in Coloma, where the family will receive friends beginning at 11 a.m. Cremation will follow. Donations may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association – Michigan Great Lakes Chapter or Caring Circle Hospice. Those wishing to leave an online message of remembrance may do so at [www.duffieldpastrick.com](http://www.duffieldpastrick.com).

The family would like to thank the staff of Woodland Terrace and Caring Circle for their compassion, care and love during this difficult journey.

Vonda was born Oct. 3, 1932, in Parkersburg, Ill., to Cloella and George Bicanich. She married the love of her life, Don Johnson, on Feb. 24, 1951, in Chicago. They spent 69 loving years together as constant companions, enjoying life and raising their family. She was very close to her son, Don, and daughter, Sue. Her fondness for her grandchildren could never be



rivaled. Her life was also enriched by three great-grandchildren whom she showered with affection.

Vonda worked at New Products Corporation, Benton Harbor, for 37 years, retiring in 1997. She was an active member of the First Congregational Church in Coloma, where she ushered and served as the church treasurer.

Vonda is survived by her husband, Don; her children, Donald Johnson of Wayne, Mich., and Susan (Larry) Weeks of St. Joseph; four grandchildren, Chad (Katie) Weeks, Krystle (Greg) Winnell, Michael (Noor) Johnson and Kimberly Michelle Johnson; great-grandchildren, Zofia Weeks, Taylor Winnell and Austin Winnell; sister-in-law, Betty Bicanich; brother-in-law, Roy (Laura) Johnson; sister-in-law, Nancy Kase; and several nieces and nephews.

Vonda was preceded in death by her parents, Cloella and Michael Antonelli and George and Edna Bicanich; a brother, George Bicanich; sister-in-law, Doris Ciofalo and her husband John; brother-in-law, Stan Kase; and nephews, David Kase and Tom Ciofalo.

Ned ‘Tom’ Shiveley

Nov. 1, 1941 - March 2, 2020

Ned “Tom” Shiveley, 78, of St. Joseph passed away on Monday, March 2, 2020, with his family by his side at Hanson Hospice Center.

A celebration of life gathering will be held from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, at Starks & Menchinger Chapel, 2650 Niles Road, St. Joseph. Private family burial will take place in Riverview Cemetery, St. Joseph. Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Southwestern Michigan. Those wishing to send a condolence online may do so at [www.starks-menchigner.com](http://www.starks-menchigner.com).

Tom was born on Nov. 1, 1941, to Roy and Edna (Ramage) Shiveley in Lima, Ohio. He graduated from Lima Senior High School. On Sept. 3, 1961,



he married Elizabeth “Betsy” Stewart in Lima. Tom was employed as a logistics manager for his entire career through Associated Truck Lines, ABF Trucking and Penske Logistics. Through the years, Tom officiated various sports in the Berrien County area, including softball, football and wrestling. He was a lifelong Ohio State fan and most of all, Tom cherished time spent with his family.

Tom is survived by his wife of 58 years, Betsy; sons, Mark Shiveley of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Scott (Lisa) Shiveley of St. Joseph; and beloved dog, Baxter.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Edna Shiveley; and five sisters.

Death notices

**Yamini Abdullah**, 75, of Niles died March 2, 2020, at home. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

**Fletcher E. Clark Sr.**, 91, of South Haven died Feb. 21, 2020 at T. Boone Pickens Hospice and Palliative Care, Dallas. D. L. Miller Funeral Home, Bangor Chapel, 427-7551.

**William H. Grant**, 88, of Niles died Feb. 29, 2020. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

**Marcia Martin**, 71, of Niles died Feb. 29, 2020. Brown Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Niles, 683-1155.

**Roger J. Randall**, 77, of Stevensville died March 1, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel, Bridgman, 465-3239.

**Ned “Tom” Shiveley**, 78, of St. Joseph died March 2, 2020, at Hanson Hospice Center, Stevensville. Starks & Menchinger Chapel and Cremation Services, St. Joseph, 556-9450.

Irene E. ‘Tootie’ Kuball

July 4, 1927 - Feb. 29, 2020

Irene E. “Tootie” Kuball, 92, formerly of Benton Harbor passed away, Saturday, Feb. 29, 2020, at Caretel Inns of Royalton where she resided.

A Celebration of Life Eternal will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 4, at St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church, Colfax and Cline Ave., Benton Harbor, with the Rev. Jeff Bolwerk officiating. Friends may visit with the family beginning at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the church. Memorial donations in Irene’s name may be made to St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church, Man to Man, St. Joseph-Lincoln Senior Center or Berrien County Cancer Service. Those wishing to sign Irene’s memory book online may do so at [www.starks-menchinger.com](http://www.starks-menchinger.com).

Irene was born July 4, 1927, in Bridgman, to Joseph and Julia (Franks) Klupp. She was baptized at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Bridgman on Aug. 14, 1927. On June 22, 1946, she married Robert Kuball in Bridgman. Irene devoted her life to serving others. She looked after the needs of her family, worked for many years at Comet True Value in Benton Harbor, was an Avon Rep for 20-plus years



and worked at Hilltop Foods in St. Joseph as a food demonstrator. Irene was a devoted member of St. Matthew’s Lutheran Church, where she called on the shut-ins of the congregation with the Sunshine group and was known as the Candy Lady. She was active with the OWLS group, the Prayer Chain at Grace Lutheran Church and with Man to Man in support of her husband Bob.

Irene is survived by her son, Larry (Mary) Kuball of St. Joseph and Fort Myers, Fla.; her former daughter-in-law, Pam (Bob) Kole of Niles; seven grandchildren: Chris Kurland, Larry (Linda) Kuball Jr., Taylor (Kim) Tisdale, Lisa Tisdale, James Moshier, Michael Moshier and Jason (Jennifer) Moshier; 12 great-grandchildren; two sisters-in-law, Martha Klupp and Marcella Rhodes; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Irene was preceded in death by her husband, Robert, on March 7, 2009; her son, Gary in 1975; her daughter-in-law, Cyndi Kuball; parents, Joseph Klupp and Julia (Edward) Klupp-Rhode; brothers, Henry, Otto and Charles Klupp and Ernest Rhodes; and sister-in-law, May Klupp.

Getting it straight

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Jack Welch, the GE chief who became a superstar, has died

By MARK JEWELL

Associated Press

BOSTON — Jack Welch, who transformed General Electric Co. into a highly profitable multinational conglomerate and parlayed his legendary business acumen into a retirement career as a corporate leadership guru, has died. He was 84.

His death was confirmed Monday by GE. The cause of death was renal failure, his wife Suzy told The New York Times.

Welch became one of the nation’s most well-known and highly regarded corporate leaders during his two decades as GE’s chairman and chief executive, from 1981 to 2001. He personified the so-called “cult of the CEO” during the late-1990s boom, when GE’s soaring stock price made it the most valuable company in the world.

A chemical engineer by training, Welch transformed the company from a maker of appliances and light bulbs into an industrial and financial services powerhouse. During his tenure, GE’s revenue grew nearly fivefold, and the firm’s market capitalization increased 30-fold.

Welch’s results-driven management approach and hands-on style were credited with helping GE turn a financial corner, although some of the success came at the expense of thousands of employees who lost their jobs in Welch’s relentless efforts to cut costs and rid GE

of unprofitable businesses.

Business success and outspokenness brought him wide fame.

In 1999, Fortune magazine named Welch as its “Manager of the Century.”

For his first book, “Jack: Straight From the Gut,” Welch received a \$7.1 million advance. Although released on the very morning of the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks, the book became a best-seller, and led to frequent speaking engagements where he took his candor on stage.

“From the day I joined GE to the day I was named CEO, 20 years later, my bosses cautioned me about my candor,” Welch wrote in “Straight from the Gut.” “I was labeled abrasive and consistently warned my candor would soon get in the way of my career ... and I’m telling you that it was candor that helped make it work.”

Welch did not slow down after leaving GE.

He became a senior advisor with private equity firm Clayton, Dubilier & Rice in 2001. He also taught a course on business leadership at MIT’s Sloan School of Management in 2006. In 2009, Welch founded the Jack Welch Management Institute, an online MBA program that is now part of Strayer University.

While Welch was known for being hypercompetitive, he also stressed giving everyone a fair shake.

In the 2005 book, “Winning,” Welch wrote that he would like to be remembered

“as a huge advocate of candor and meritocracy, and believing everyone deserves a chance. And I’d like to be remembered for trying to make the case that you can never let yourself be a victim.”

Along with Welch’s fame came greater scrutiny. Welch found himself defending his retirement compensation. Amid a wave of corporate scandals, details of Welch’s GE perks emerged in court papers during his 2002 divorce from his wife of 13 years, Jane Beasley. He received millions of dollars in benefits, including unlimited personal use of GE’s planes, office space and financial services.

After the perks became public, Welch reimbursed the company for many of them, and paid for use of aircraft and other services.

His first marriage, to Carolyn Osburn, ended amicably in divorce after 28 years in 1987. Plans for his second divorce were disclosed shortly after Harvard Business Review editor Suzy Wetlaufer revealed she had become romantically involved with Welch while working on a story about him.

Welch didn’t blame the media for the attention the affair generated.

“Christ, if I was a journalist, I’d write a scandalous story,” Welch told the CBS television news magazine “60 Minutes” in a 2005 interview. “I mean, it’s a good story, but I don’t care. I fell in love.”

Wetlaufer resigned the Harvard editing post in 2002

because of a furor caused by her relationship with Welch. In a January 2012 interview with CNN’s Piers Morgan, when asked how he persuaded Wetlaufer to marry him, Welch replied, “My charm and probably my wallet.”

“We had a little scandal at the beginning,” he continued. “And it’s been the greatest 10 years of our lives.”

The couple wrote a regular column, called “The Welch Way,” in Business Week magazine for four years. They also wrote management books, including “Winning” in 2005.

The Welchses resumed writing a regular column in 2012, this time for Reuters. They used the column to dole out advice for business and political figures, including Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg and GOP presidential candidate Mitt Romney, whom they supported.

In his writing and speaking, Welch shared the wisdom he gained in a GE career that began right after he left grad school. He quickly climbed the ranks, and became the company’s youngest chairman and CEO in 1981, at age 45.

Welch quickly shook up GE, laying off tens of thousands of employees in his first five years. That earned him the unwanted nickname “Neutron Jack,” after the nuclear weapon that kills people but leaves buildings largely intact. Welch bristled at the name, insisting that successful companies needed to be agile.

‘Inside the Actors Studio’ host James Lipton dies at 93

By ANDREW DALTON

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — James Lipton, an actor-turned-academic who became an unlikely celebrity and got hundreds of master actors and Hollywood luminaries to open up about their craft as the longtime host of “Inside the Actors Studio,” died Monday.

Lipton died of bladder cancer at his New York home, his wife, Kedakai Lipton, told the New York Times and the Hollywood Reporter. He was 93.

The Detroit-born Lipton began the Bravo show in 1994 that also served as a class for his students at the Actors Studio Drama School, where he was then dean.

He often said his only requirement for a guest was whether they had something to teach his students. His first guest, Paul Newman, set a standard of stardom for those that would follow, including Meryl Streep, Robert De Niro, Glenn Close, Steven Spielberg and Barbra Streisand.

“Rest in peace, James Lipton. He was interested in the actor’s process, which was so refreshing,” Streisand said in a Twitter post.

Lipton was known, and often parodied, for his highbrow and sometimes worshipful tone with his subjects, and for his intensive preparation, represented by a stack of blue

notecards that held his meticulously researched questions. When Will Ferrell played Lipton on “Saturday Night Live,” the stack of cards was nearly a foot thick.

Many otherwise media-shy actors were willing to appear on “Inside the Actors Studio” because Lipton focused on their art and not the usual celebrity chatter or project promotion.

“People do not come on to sell a movie and you never hear the words, ‘I’m opening in Vegas in two weeks,’” Lipton told The Associated Press in 1996, when the show was in its second season. “That’s what most talk shows depend upon, and that’s fine, but with us we’re getting together to dig as deep as we can.”

He was not afraid to get personal, and often stunned those he interviewed with things he had learned about their childhood or private life. “How did you know that?” was a frequent refrain from his guests.

Sally Field asked him, “Have you been reading my diary? Talking to my shrink?”

Julia Roberts asked if he had talked to her mother.

“Obviously we deal in lots of anecdotes, and even some gossip and secrets,” Lipton told the AP, “but they’re tied together by a concern for and devotion to craft.”

DO YOU REMEMBER?

25 years ago – 1995

Traffic was rerouted yesterday after the Bicentennial Bridge in St. Joseph wouldn't close during a test, city police said.

The Michigan D.O.T. was testing a hydraulic system on the bridge. The bridge was opened for the test, but wouldn't close. The problem was corrected after about three hours.

35 years ago – 1985

Father Donald Neale Jr., associate pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, St. Joseph, prefers to be called Father Don, especially when he DJ's at local high school dances. He began the DJ moonlighting three years ago while assigned to St. Monica Catholic parish in Kalamazoo. Last week he was "promoted" to DJ at a St.

Joseph High School dance. Neale said he is not paid for the work but he does accept a token donation to keep his record collection up-to-date. He thinks music may be a language that encourages students to share their concerns or problems with him.

50 years ago – 1970

All of South Haven's parking meters in the central business district were put under wraps yesterday as the second phase of an experiment to determine their necessity. Parking in front of the 250 meters will be free for one hour. Those violating the one-hour limit will face a \$2 fine instead of the 50 cents assessment placed for overtime parking at meters. On May 2 the city council will evaluate the experiment.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Tuesday, March 3, the 63rd day of 2020. There are 303 days left in the year.

**Highlight in history:**

On March 3, "The Star-Spangled Banner" became the national anthem of the United States as President Herbert Hoover signed a congressional resolution.

**On this date:**

In 1791, Congress passed a measure taxing distilled spirits; it was the first internal revenue act in U.S. history.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln signed a measure creating the National Academy of Sciences.

In 1894, British Prime Minister William Gladstone submitted his resignation to Queen Victoria, ending his fourth and final premiership.

In 1934, bank robber John Dil-

linger escaped from the Lake County Jail in Crown Point, Indiana, along with another prisoner, Herbert Youngblood.

In 1943, in London's East End, 173 people died in a crush of bodies at the Bethnal Green tube station, which was being used as a wartime air raid shelter.

In 1974, a Turkish Airlines DC-10 crashed shortly after takeoff from Orly Airport in Paris, killing all 346 people on board.

In 1985, coal miners in Britain voted to end a year-long strike that proved to be the longest and most violent walkout in British history.

In 1991, motorist Rodney King was severely beaten by Los Angeles police officers in a scene captured on amateur video. Twenty-five people were killed when a United Airlines Boeing 737-200 crashed while approaching the Colorado Springs airport.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

| Today                                                                             | Tonight                                                                            | Wednesday                                                                           | Thursday                                                                            | Friday                                                                              | Saturday                                                                            |
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| Partly Cloudy                                                                     | Partly Cloudy                                                                      | Rain & Snow Possible                                                                | Partly Cloudy                                                                       | Mostly Cloudy                                                                       | Sunny                                                                               |
| 44°                                                                               | 34°                                                                                | 39° / 33°                                                                           | 46° / 34°                                                                           | 36° / 29°                                                                           | 40° / 32°                                                                           |

Local Outlook

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a slight chance of showers, high temperature of 44°, humidity of 64%. Southwest wind 5 to 17 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a slight chance of rain and snow, overnight low of 34°. West southwest wind 7 to 16 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise ..... 7:16 a.m.  
Sunset ..... 6:38 p.m.  
Moonrise ..... 12:05 p.m.  
Moonset ..... 2:34 a.m.

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Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

**Temperature**

High ..... 45°  
Low ..... 31°  
Normal High ..... 41°  
Normal Low ..... 25°  
Record High ..... 55° in 2004  
Record Low ..... 6° in 2009

**Precipitation**

Yesterday ..... 0.04"  
Month to date ..... 0.04"  
Normal for month ..... 0.16"  
Year to date ..... 4.96"  
Normal Year to date ..... 3.33"

Air Quality

Yesterday ..... 49  
Main Offender ..... Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

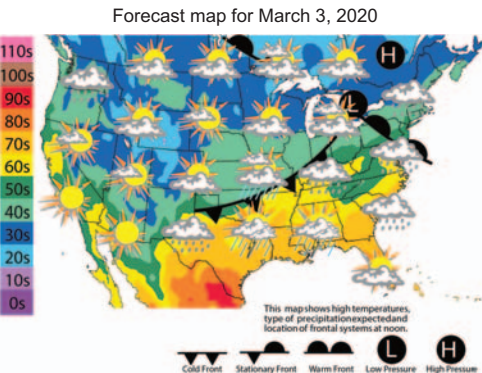
0-50 ..... Good  
51-100 ..... Moderate  
101-150 ..... Sensitive  
151-200 ..... Unhealthy

Weather Trivia

Can people be allergic to cold weather?

Answer: Yes, in cold weather, some people have been known to get rashes.

National Weather Map



Lake Michigan

Today, SSW wind 5 to 10 kt. Mostly cloudy. Waves 1 ft building to 4 ft. Water temperature 34 degrees. Tonight, W wind 14 to 18 kt. A slight chance of showers. Waves 4 to 5 ft.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be cloudy with scattered showers and snow showers, highs in the 30s. South wind 10 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies Wednesday with highs in the 30s. West wind 8 to 14 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with highs in the 40s. Southwest wind 5 to 17 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Wednesday with scattered rain and snow, highs in the 30s and 40s. West wind 2 to 11 mph.

SUPER TUESDAY

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have found that leader in vice president, soon-to-be president, Joe Biden."

The sweeping shifts come at a key crossroads in Democrats' turbulent primary season as the party struggles to unify behind a clear message or messenger in its urgent quest to defeat President Donald Trump. Yet as a field that once featured more than two dozen candidates shrinks to just five, the choice for primary voters is becoming clearer.

On one side stands Biden, a 77-year-old lifelong politician who represents a pragmatic approach to governing that emphasizes bipartisanship and more modest change. On the other stands Sanders, a 78-year-old democratic socialist who has for decades demanded aggressive liberal shifts that seek to transform the nation's political and economic systems.

Yet the primary isn't yet a two-man race.

New York billionaire Mike Bloomberg, in particular, could create problems for Biden's establishment appeal. The former New York City mayor, who will appear on a 2020 ballot for the first time today, has invested more than a half billion dollars into his presidential bid and wracked up many high-profile endorsements of his own.

And Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, who has struggled for delegates and momentum over the last month, has vowed to stay in the race until the party's national convention in July.

On the eve of Super Tuesday, however, Biden received a significant boost



Michael Wyke / AP

Democratic presidential candidate former Vice President Joe Biden speaks during a campaign rally at Texas Southern University in Houston on Monday.

following his resounding victory over the weekend in South Carolina.

He posted his best two-day fundraising haul in more than a year, raising roughly \$10 million over the last 48 hours. And the former vice president added to his considerable endorsement lead in recent days as elected officials began to coalesce more meaningfully behind him. He has long been the favorite of many elected officials even as he struggled through the first three primary contests of the year.

Biden's new backers feature a who's who of current and former Democratic officials across the nation: former Nevada Sen. Harry Reid; Obama national security adviser Susan Rice; Arizona Senate candidate Mark Kelly; former Colo-

rado Sen. Mark Udall; former California Sen. Barbara Boxer; Rep. Jennifer Wexton, D-Va.; and Rep. Gil Cisneros, D-Calif.

Virginia Rep. Don Beyer, the first member of Congress to endorse Buttigieg, said he planned to endorse Biden and expected Buttigieg to do as well.

"I do think it's the most logical," Beyer said of a Biden endorsement, given his echo of the former vice president's call for civility, a mantra of the Buttigieg campaign. "I think Joe is the next best possibility."

Perhaps the most powerful endorsement would come from former President Barack Obama, who has a relationship with most of the candidates and has talked with several in recent weeks as primary voting has begun. He spoke with Biden to congratulate

him after his South Carolina victory, but still has no plans to endorse in the primary at this point.

Sanders' team shrugged off Biden's success.

"It's becoming increasingly clear that the candidates funded by big money and super PACs are coalescing behind Joe Biden, and that's not a surprise," said Jeff Weaver, Sanders' senior strategist. "I think it'll add a lot of clarity to this race."

And while Biden's momentum is undeniable, not everyone in his party's moneyed establishment is convinced.

Some major donors preferred to wait until after Super Tuesday to decide whether to join the Biden movement. And even some of his more loyal fundraisers remain frustrated by disorganization within the

campaign.

For example, the former vice president has struggled to raise money in Silicon Valley, where many wealthy donors prioritize organization and a data-driven plan. The inability of Biden's team to demonstrate such competence pushed many donors toward his rivals, and others are taking a wait-and-see approach.

"We need to see what happens tomorrow, which is going to be very telling," said Alex Sink, a Democratic donor and former Florida gubernatorial candidate who endorsed Bloomberg.

And the former vice president's strategy for the coming days, which relies on media coverage and dispatching his new collection of surrogates, reflects a stark reality: Compared to Sanders and Bloomberg, Biden is understaffed, underfunded and almost out of time as he fights to transform his sole South Carolina victory into a national movement.

Biden announced he raised \$18 million in February, compared to an eye-popping \$46.5 million for Sanders and \$29 million for Warren.

Sanders has struggled to win over his colleagues in Congress but earned a high-profile endorsement of his own on Monday from Democracy for America, a national grassroots organization originally led by former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean that boasts thousands of members across the county.

"The overwhelming support for Bernie we saw in our member vote should be a wake-up call to the broken, visionless, corporate Democratic establishment," said the orga-

nization's chair Charles Chamberlain. "Americans want fundamental change in Washington, not a return to the status quo."

Some Democrats also bemoaned the distinct lack of diversity in the shrinking field.

The National Organization for Women's political action committee endorsed Warren on Monday. The group's president, Toni Van Pelt, said she's alarmed about the lack of attention paid to the female candidates, who have often had to defend their "electability."

"It's time to support a woman," she said. "We want to make sure we're not looking at all these old white men again."

Through four primary contests, the AP allocated 60 delegates to Sanders, 54 to Biden and eight to Warren. Buttigieg and Klobuchar have 26 and seven, respectively.

Candidates who drop out of the race keep the delegates they've won until each state party selects the actual people who will serve as those delegates at the Democratic National Convention in Milwaukee. At that point, delegates won based on statewide primary and caucus results are given to the remaining viable candidates. Delegates won based on results in congressional districts become free agents, who can support the candidate of his or her choice on the first ballot at the convention.

The first four states were always more about momentum more than math. Super Tuesday states offer a trove of 1,344 new delegates based on how candidates finish. Just 155 delegates have been awarded so far.

TIMELINE

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have been meeting regularly to prepare their part of the report.

She said the plan must be approved by school board trustees and state officials before being implemented, hopefully in May.

She expects the advisory committee to meet for the last time at 5 p.m. April 13 at the high school unless, she said, the school board or state ask committee members to do some major revisions of the plan.

"Or they can take it over

and do the revisions," she said. "That's the other option."

She said the plan reflects what committee members have heard at the town hall meetings

"The information has been invaluable, and it's really given us insight in terms of what direction should take place," she said.

During the meeting, parent representative Dannetta Moore said that whoever presents the plan needs to do it in everyday language.

"If you have to explain it three times, so be it," she said.

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SPOILER

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must submit a written request to their clerk by mail by 2 p.m. on March 7 – the Saturday before the primary. The request must specify if the voter would like to receive a new absentee ballot or whether they will instead come in and vote at the polls.

Voters can also spoil their absentee ballot in person at their clerk's office until 4 p.m. on March 9. However, there is no option on Election Day to spoil an absentee ballot that has been received by

the clerk.

"It happens in just about every election," Loar-Porter said. "Not just presidential primaries. The whole point is they have the same rights as someone voting in the precinct."

Once a ballot is spoiled, municipalities are instructed to keep them in a secure location.

However, they never make it to tabulators.

Instead, each qualified voter file will show who spoiled a ballot as a form of record keeping for the Secretary of State.

The spoiled ballots are sealed, just like all other

ballots on Election Day. The spoiled ballots remain sealed until municipalities get orders from the state to properly dispose of them.

On Monday, the city of Niles also saw a handful of voters spoil their ballots.

"We've been fairly busy today," said Niles Clerk Linda Casperson. "It's additional work for us, but I feel the process is going well so far. But time is running short, so if absentee voters decide they want to change their ballot, they should contact their local clerk as soon as possible."

Benton Township Clerk

Carolyn Phillips said it hasn't been too overwhelming for her office.

However, Phillips added she expects more residents will drop in to spoil their ballots if more Democratic candidates leave the race after today's voting.

"It's still early. It's one of those things where you hope for the best and plan for the worse," she said. "It would be helpful if (absentee voters) come in by the day before the election. It would make the process go faster for us."

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# hp SPORTS

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his NASCAR ride

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## Whirlpool CORPORATION ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT



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Drew Goodline is a guard on the Coloma basketball team and quarterback on the football team. Goodline, the younger brother of former Comets standout Zach Goodline, has emerged as a leader on the Coloma boys basketball team.

## Drew Goodline: Stepping up for Coloma's hoops team

By **BEN SPENCER**  
HP Sports Writer

Coloma junior Drew Goodline has always had something to strive for on the basketball court.

Goodline, the younger brother of former Coloma standout and current guard at Oakland University, Zach Goodline, has followed in his older brother's footsteps in becoming a leader for the Comet boys team.

This season, he is averaging just over 20 points per game, as well as 5½ rebounds and three assists per contest. He also shoots 70 percent from the free throw line.

"I think we kind of clicked instantly this summer," said first-year Coloma coach Curtis McFall. "Just with my vision and how I expected him to play, and then him going out and getting it done. He's done everything I've asked of him as a leader, so I think we've grown as a team because of him."

The Comets have won four straight games, and with just two games remaining on the schedule, Goodline has helped them find their stride at the right time.

In that four-game stretch, he's averaged 19½ points and just over four assists per game.

A run to the district championship is very much a possibility for the Comets this season. Coloma will face Allegan (2-18) in the opener on March 11. A win would move the Comets on to see South Haven in the second round. The Comets topped the Rams, 49-43, on Feb. 18.

The real test would lie in the district finals, where Coloma would likely see perennial power Benton Harbor.

The Tigers have knocked the Comets out of six of the last seven district tournaments.

Outside of basketball, Goodline is the quarterback on Coloma's football team. He is also a good student, carrying 3.8 GPA in the classroom.

Goodline said he'd one day like to be an athletic trainer. When he's not in school, on the court or on the football field, Goodline said he spends some of his free time playing video games.

Like his older brother,

Goodline said he also has aspirations of one day playing college basketball.

**What do you see as your best trait as a basketball player?**

My best ability is probably my 3-point shooting. I'm a pretty good passer. I'm a good driver as well, so I can get into the lane and dish it off to the big guys for layups. I feel like I can do a little bit of everything offensively.

**How was it growing up with an older brother who shared the same passion for basketball?**

We always played basketball with each other outside or inside. We'd always be playing basketball. We could be in the Coloma gym playing one-on-one, outside playing one-on-one. We'd lower the basketball hoop outside in our driveway and play one-on-one dunking on each other. It was a lot of fun.

**Are there any professional or college players that you model your game after?**

My favorite college player who I like and try to play like, too, is Ty Jones from Duke. I like the way he plays. He's just all around a good player — he's a good defender and he gets his teammates involved as well, which I love.

**What goals have you set for yourself in your final two seasons?**

For myself, I want to reach the 1,000-point mark by the time I graduate. (Two games ago), I was really close to a triple-double, so I want to get at least one triple-double by the end of my senior year, too. For team goals, I would like to win a district, or at least a game in districts. The real goal is to win a district and then maybe a regional to get to the final four.

**Do you have a favorite memory of your time playing so far?**

My favorite memory was last year in the district game against Lakeshore playing with my brother in his senior year.

**Favorite school subject and why?**

I'm going to say Spanish. I just think it's cool knowing another language, and I can speak pretty well in Spanish.

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# Comets move on



Ron DeKett / HP correspondent

Coloma's Megan Neubecker (21) shoots the ball as Aamy Johnson defends for Benton Harbor during Monday's game.

## Coloma girls basketball edges BH in D2 district opener



Ron DeKett / HP correspondent

Coloma's Taylor Brown works her way around Benton Harbor's Shaliya Perkins during Monday's game.

By **MAXWELL HARDEN**  
HP Sports Writer

COLOMA — It wasn't pretty, but considering what was at stake, the Coloma girls basketball team will take it.

The Comets edged Benton Harbor 33-29 in a physical Division 2 district basketball quarterfinal.

"We knew coming into this one that it was going to be a battle," Coloma coach Kim Swisher said. "We already played them once so we knew what it was going to take to beat them."

The Comets led by as many as eight (25-17) in the fourth quarter before the Tigers

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# Bears can't find offense in district loss

Portage Central contains St. Joseph in Division 1 opener

By **BEN SANDERS**  
HP Sports Editor

STEVENSVILLE — St. Joseph scored 10 straight points to surge into the lead late in Monday's Division 1 girls basketball district opener against Portage Central. Unfortunately for the



Bears, that was their only good offensive stretch. Portage Central kept St. Joseph contained on its way to a 26-18 victory.

"I thought that their defense was super aggressive, they did a good job defending us on the inside," St. Joseph coach Tracey Bloodworth said. "We really struggled to put the ball in the hole when we did get some opportunities and that's disappointing. We missed a bunch of free throws as well."

"At the end of the day, they outplayed us by just a little bit and that's what Portage Central (18-3) led

17-8 late in the third quarter. Cailynn Junk got St. Joseph (11-10) going with a driving basket, and Symone King followed with a steal and score to make 17-12 at the end of the quarter.

Maya Hunter started the fourth quarter with a 3-pointer. A free throw by King cut the lead to 17-16, and on the Bears' next possession, King put back an offensive rebound and was fouled, giving St. Joseph its only lead of the game at 18-17 with 6:29 to go. Junk led the Bears with seven points and King scored five.

"I'm super proud of our

kids," Bloodworth said. "We could've rolled over and been like 'Well the ball's not going in today' and we never did. We fought hard."

King missed the resulting free throw, and the Bears didn't score again. Maizie Brown converted a 3-point play at the other end to make it 20-18, and the Mustangs pulled away from there. Brown was a force defensively, blocking five shots.

Abby Long scored a game-high 11 points, but the Portage Central standout was just 3 for 14 from the field.

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# White Sox OF Luis Robert, Nationals INF Carter Kieboom among rookies to watch

By **JAY COHEN**  
Associated Press

CHICAGO — New York Mets slugger Pete Alonso was the breakout star in an impressive group of major league rookies last summer. Now another wave of young talent is looking to leave its mark on the sport.

Here is a closer look at a handful of rookies who could play a starring role this year:

—OF Luis Robert, Chicago White Sox: The 22-year-old Robert joins a formidable White Sox lineup after

agreeing to a \$50 million, six-year contract in January — ahead of his major league debut. The athletic Cuban slugger batted .328 with 32 homers, 92 RBIs and 36 steals over three minor league stops last season.

—INF Carter Kieboom, Washington Nationals: Anthony Rendon's departure in free agency created an opening at third base for the Nationals, and the reigning World Series champions are looking to Kieboom to fill the role. Kieboom spent



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Chicago White Sox center fielder Luis Robert looks on from the dugout before a spring training game against the Cleveland Indians on Friday.

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# Girls district basketball gets underway

By HP STAFF

Monday marked the beginning of postseason play for girls basketball teams across the state.

In Division 2, Three Rivers defeated Buchanan 53-25 in D2 district play. Buchanan's season ends with a 15-6 record.

Dowagiac fell to Edwardsburg 71-15 in D2 district action to finish the season with a 2-19 record.

In Division 3, Brandywine

advanced to the district semifinal after a 57-15 over Bridgman at Cassopolis. Brandywine (20-1) will face Watervliet (5-15) at 6 p.m. Wednesday at Cassopolis. Bridgman's season ends with a 4-17 record.

Bloomington moves on to its D3 district semifinal after a 61-15 win over the Bangor at Lawton. Bloomington (14-5) will play Lawton (0-20) at 5 p.m. Wednesday at Lawton. Bangor's season ends with a 1-20 record.

## IN BRIEF

### Chipper Jones joins ESPN lineup as game analyst

BRISTOL, Conn. (AP) — Hall of Fame third baseman Chipper Jones has joined the ESPN lineup.

The former Atlanta Braves star will work as a major league analyst, primarily on weeknight and holiday games. He'll debut on opening day when San Francisco plays at Dodger Stadium on March 26.

Jones worked twice last year as a guest analyst for ESPN.

The 47-year-old Jones hit .303 with 468 home runs and 1,623 RBIs in a 19-year career through 2012.

### Illinois rewards Underwood with contract extension

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Illinois rewarded basketball coach Brad Underwood for a significant jump this season with a three-year contract extension through 2026, the school announced Monday.

The move comes with the Illini challenging for the Big Ten Conference championship in Underwood's third season. They are ranked No. 23 in the AP Top 25, are 20-9 overall and are tied for second in con-

ference play with Michigan State and Wisconsin at 12-6 — a game behind Maryland. Illinois went 14-18 and 12-21 in Underwood's first two seasons.

### Georgia Tech withdraws appeal, will miss tournament

ATLANTA (AP) — Georgia Tech has withdrawn its appeal of NCAA penalties against its men's basketball program and will not lay in this month's Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament.

The school announced Nov. 15 it would appeal a one-year ban on postseason play as well as scholarship reductions and limits on official visits. By saying Monday it would accept those penalties this year, Georgia Tech is assured of being eligible to compete in the postseason in the 2020-21 season and beyond.

Georgia Tech (15-14, 9-9 ACC) likely would have had to win the March 10-14 ACC tournament in Greensboro, North Carolina, to earn a bid to this year's NCAA tournament.

The NCAA ruled in September that major recruiting violations were committed by one of coach Josh Pastner's former assistants, Darryl LaBarrie, as well as one-time friend, Ron Bell.

## AIRWAVES

### Television today

**1:00 p.m. (ESPN) MLB Preseason Baseball** Boston Red Sox at New York Yankees. (Live) 

**(FoxDetroit) MLB Preseason Baseball** Detroit Tigers at Minnesota Twins. (Live)

**7:00 p.m. (BigTen) College Basketball** Maryland at Rutgers. (Live) 

**(ESPN) College Basketball** Michigan State at Penn State. (Live)

**(ESPN2) College Basketball** Syracuse at Boston College. (Live)

**7:30 p.m. (NBCSports) NHL Hockey** Boston Bruins at Tampa Bay Lightning. (Live)

**(TNT) NBA Basketball** Brooklyn Nets at Boston Celtics. (Live)

**8:00 p.m. (FS1) College Basketball** Marquette at DePaul. (Live) 

**8:30 p.m. (NBCSCH) NHL Hockey** Anaheim Ducks at Chicago Blackhawks. (Live)

**9:00 p.m. (BigTen) College Basketball** Purdue at Iowa. (Live) 

**(ESPN) College Basketball** Tennessee at Kentucky. (Live)

**(ESPN2) College Basketball** Texas at Oklahoma. (Live)

**10:00 p.m. (TNT) NBA Basketball** Philadelphia 76ers at Los Angeles Lakers. (Live) 

### Wednesday

**12:00 p.m. (NBCSCH) NBA G League Basketball** Raptors 905 at Windy City Bulls. (Live)

**1:00 p.m. (ESPN) MLB Preseason Baseball** St. Louis Cardinals at New York Mets. (Live)

**(FoxDetroit) Women's College Basketball** ACC Tournament, First Round (Live)

**2:00 p.m. (BigTen) Women's College Basketball** Big Ten Tournament, First Round (Live)

**3:30 p.m. (FoxDetroit) Women's College Basketball** ACC Tournament, First Round (Live)

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# Bowman makes case to keep his Hendrick ride

Jenna Fryer



There is a strong crop of drivers headed into free agency this summer and Alex Bowman has hardly been at the top of the list.

Brad Keselowski is a former Cup Series champion, Kyle Larson is considered the future of NASCAR and Ryan Blaney is poised for a breakout season. Erik Jones is determined not to be the lowest-performing driver at Joe Gibbs Racing, while Corey LaJoie is among a handful of young drivers desperate for a chance to drive competitive cars.

Bowman used to be in LaJoie's situation, a group of second- and third-tier drivers routinely passed over by the top teams. They settle for underfunded teams, often have to bring their own sponsorship, don't make much of a salary and never have a fair shot to win each week.

"Every year is a contract year. Every year of my life in the Cup Series has been a contract year," Bowman said. "I've had contracts and two weeks before Daytona read a tweet that said I'm not going to Daytona."

His break came in 2016 when the 22-year-old took his first big step away from driving bad race cars. Bowman patched together nine Xfinity Series races with Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s team and was available when Earnhardt was sidelined for a long portion of that season with lingering effects from multiple concussions. Hendrick Motorsports called Bowman for 10 of those

the Hendrick Chevrolet, and first opportunity to convince his boss he wants to keep his seat.

"Hendrick Motorsports is where I want to be. It's where I want to stay for the rest of my career," Bowman said. "There's a lot of outside pressure. There's a lot of pressure from myself. I just want to win races. That's all there is to it. When I come here and don't run well and people think I look mad or upset or I'm not friendly, you're dang right, I want to win races. I don't like running bad."

The victory locked Bowman into the 16-driver play-off field just three weeks into the season.

He is the first Hendrick driver to win this year and the first to win in the new Chevrolet Camaro. The car struggled through two seasons after its introduction and Chevrolet was shut out of the championship finale both years. NASCAR allowed the manufacturer to make changes prior to this season and Bowman led three Camaros in the top four at California.

"When Chevrolet said they're going to commit to working hard to try to improve the body, that put a sense of morale throughout the whole shop, throughout the whole team, a lot of positive attitudes toward it," said crew chief Greg Ives. "We need to take that positive momentum of the hard work Chevy put in and we needed to put that to results on the

racetrack, whether it was top 10, top 5's."

Running well early in the season is the boost Ives needs for his driver and crew. The struggle with the Camaro since 2017, plus the retirements of Jeff Gordon and Earnhardt, knocked Hendrick Motorsports down a peg. While Joe Gibbs Racing won a record 19 races last season and the title, Hendrick drivers won just four races and three were by Chase Elliott.

"It's great to have the win, but continuously building that momentum is something that is needed in the shop environment," Ives said. "It's needed when the guys turn on the TV and they see the racing we had and their product was on the racetrack competing. It's a totally different vibe, totally different feeling."

Does the early season win give Bowman any leverage in contract talks with Hendrick?

Ives answered for him: "No, he's going to need multiple wins, so we're going to work on that."

Bowman laughed at his crew chief, then admitted there is more work to be done the next 33 weeks.

"I'm as motivated as ever, doing everything I can to try to be the best on and off the racetrack as I can be," he said. "Hopefully we can make that happen. It is a contract year, but honestly every year of my career has been a contract year, so it's not much different."



Ron DeKett / HP correspondent

Coloma's Adian Allmon (5) and Megan Neubecker (21) fight Benton Harbor's Kyra Nichols (1) for ball possession during Monday's game.

## COMETS

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rallied. A Star Williams basket cut Coloma's lead to 32-29 in the closing seconds of the game, but Marissa Sherburn made 1 of 2 free throws on the ensuing possession to effectively end the game.

Coloma had a 26-14 advantage in free throw attempts in the fourth quarter. The Comets made 15 while the Tigers made 9.

"I told them to keep driving because they kept on fouling," Swisher said. "I knew we were in the bonus. 65 percent is probably the best we've ever done at the free-throw line this season. It was definitely a team effort."

Both teams struggled to get their offenses going against the opposing defense. The two teams combined for just seven field goals by half-time, with the game tied 10-10 at the break.

A Taylor Brown jumper pushed Coloma's lead to 14-10 before a pair of Desrae Kyles baskets tied the game at 14-all. Brown made two free throws in the closing seconds of the third to give

Coloma a 16-14 lead.

The game slowed to a crawl in the fourth quarter, with Benton Harbor foul trouble putting Coloma in the bonus with just under six minutes remaining. The Comets made just one field goal in the quarter.

"You can't tell your kids to be passive," Benton Harbor coach Kenny Jackson said. "You have to tell them to be aggressive. You'll have situations where things don't go as planned. Even with our foul trouble, we had our opportunities. We were in the game until the very end."

Sherburn led Coloma with nine points while Brown and Megan Neubecker had eight points apiece. Neubecker added 12 rebounds and held her own against Desrae Kyles in the paint.

"It was a team effort on defense and offense," Swisher said. "We knew their best offense was (Desrae Kyles). She's a beast; Their goal was to rebound and score on putbacks. Limiting that was our focus this game."

Senior Shaliya Perkins led Benton Harbor (3-16) with a game-high 14 points in her last game as a Tiger. Desrae

Kyles had nine points.

"I'm excited about what we have coming back," Jackson said. "We graduate five seniors including a four-year player in Perkins. But a lot of freshmen and sophomores contributed for us this year. I'm proud of the way we competed tonight."

Coloma (11-10) moves on to host South Haven (3-17) at 7 p.m. Wednesday in D2 district semifinal play.

"They're going to look different this time," Swisher said. "They have a player back that didn't play against us two weeks ago. We're looking to keep the tempo and make sure that we play our game."

### COLOMA 33, BENTON HARBOR 29

**COLOMA (33)**  
Marissa Sherburn 2 3-5 9, Megan Neubecker 1 6-6 8, Taylor Brown 2 4-5 8, Megan Koenigshor 0 5-10 5, O Adian Allmon 0 3-7 3. Totals: 5 21-33 33.

**B HARBOR (29)**  
Shaliya Perkins 3 7-12 14, Desrae Kyles 4 1-2 9, Azizah Muhammad 1 0-0 2, Kyra Nichols 1 0-0 2, Jmya Johnson 0 2-2 2. Totals: 9 10-16 29.

**Coloma 5 5 6 17 - 33**  
**B Harbor 7 3 4 15 - 29**  
3-point goals — Coloma 2 (Sherburn 2), B Harbor 1 (Perkins). Rebounds — Coloma 27 (Neubecker 12). Total fouls — B Harbor 26, Coloma 13. Fouled out — B Harbor (Jordan). Technical fouls — None.

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## LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

By HP STAFF

### Youth sports

**St. Joseph Lions Club 6th/7th/8th grade girls basketball tournament:** March 7 at Upton Middle School. Limited to 8 teams. No club, travel or local all-star teams. Cost is \$65 if you are providing your own uniform, \$145 if you

### Running

**Half Note Half Marathon/5K:** 8 a.m. Sept. 13,

beginning at the Lakeshore Youth Soccer Complex in Stevensville. Cost is \$60 for half marathon and \$30 for 5K through April 15. Proceeds benefit the Southwest Michigan Symphony Orchestra. More information is available at [www.smsso.org](http://www.smsso.org).

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## BEARS

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Long scored 18 in the Mustangs' 31-22 win over St. Joseph on Friday, which avenged an earlier regular-season loss to the Bears.

"We did a great job on the defensive side," Bloodworth said. "We did a pretty good job on (Long), honestly. I thought we made it about as hard as we could possibly make it for her. We just didn't do our job on the offensive end."

St. Joseph played without key senior Alex Malone, who was injured in Friday's game. The Bears dealt with several injuries as they finished the season on a five-game losing streak.

St. Joseph will return much of its varsity lineup including four sophomores and one freshman.

"We did a lose a lot down the stretch, but we also played the best teams down the stretch," Bloodworth said. "I'm super proud of our kids. I really think that we got better. I think we did a lot of good things. I think we showed a lot of potential considering we did lose kids to injury. We've got to stay healthy. It's hard to win a lot of games when you're down a bunch of people. But I thought the rest of kids stepped up and made some plays and did some good things, just not enough to win today."

Kalamazoo Central won Monday's other semifinal, beating Portage Northern 65-31, and will play Lakeshore at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday. Portage Central will take on Mattawan at 5:30 p.m.

### PORTAGE CENTRAL 26, ST. JOSEPH 18

**PORTAGE CENTRAL (26)**  
Reagan Hoff 1 1-2 3, Megan McDavid 2 1-2 5, Abby Long 3 3-5 11, Maizie Brown 2 1-1 5, Maddy Grueter 1 0-0 2. Totals: 9 6-12 26.

**ST. JOSEPH (18)**  
Maya Hunter 1 0-0 3, Symone King 2 1-3 5, Emma Inman 1 0-0 3, Cailynn Junk 3 1-2 7. Totals: 7 2-7 18.

**P. Central 4 8 5 9 - 26**  
**St. Joseph 2 4 6 6 - 18**  
3-point goals — Portage Central 2 (Long 2), St. Joseph 2 (Inman, Hunter). Total fouls — Portage Central 10, St. Joseph 13. Fouled out — none. Technical fouls — none. Rebounds — Portage Central 31 (Brown 8, Grueter 8), St. Joseph 26 (Inman 5, Hedstrom 5). Records — Portage Central 18-3, St. Joseph 11-10.

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Michigan Lutheran at Martin, 7  
Coloma at Portage Northern, 7:15  
Holland at South Haven, 7:15  
New Buffalo at Buchanan, 7:30  
Decatur at White Pigeon, 7:30  
Marcellus at Eau Claire, 7:30  
Centreville at Hartford, 7:30  
Bloomington at Bangor, 7:30

**Wednesday, Mar. 4**  
**Girls basketball**  
**Division 1 district semifinal at Lakeshore**  
Mattawan vs. Portage Central, 5:30  
Lakeshore vs. Kalamazoo Central, 7:30

**Division 2 district semifinal at Coloma**  
South Haven vs. Coloma, 7  
**at Buchanan**  
Niles vs. Three Rivers, 5:30  
Berrien Springs vs. Edwardsburg, 7

**Division 3 district semifinals at Lawton**  
Lawton vs. Bloomington, 5  
Hartford vs. Gobles, 6:30

**at Cassopolis**  
Watervliet vs. Brandywine winner, 6  
Cassopolis vs. Decatur, 7:30

**Division 4 district semifinals at Colon**  
Mendon vs. Howardsville Christian, 5:30  
Burr Oak vs. Colon, 7

**at River Valley**  
Lake Michigan Catholic vs. New Buffalo, 5:30  
Michigan Lutheran vs. River Valley, 7:15

**Monday's boys scores**  
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East Lansing 71, Grand Ledge 33  
Farmington Hills Mercy 68, Farmington 44  
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Hanover-Horton 79, Michigan Central 47  
Hasslett 47, Lansing Catholic 39  
Laingsburg 61, Fulton-Middleton 53  
Madison Heights Madison 49, Warren Mott 45  
Manchester 50, Addison 35  
Oscoda 67, Pinconning 38  
Parchment 66, Kalamazoo Christian 49  
Pewamo-Westphalia 54, Potterville 42

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

**Michigan prep girls basketball poll**  
The top 10 teams in the Michigan Associated Press high school basketball poll, with records in parentheses. Totals are based on 15 points for a first-place vote, 14 for second, etc.:

| Division 1                                                                                                  | Total  | Points |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. East Lansing (4)                                                                                         | (17-1) | 74     |
| 2. Hartland (1)                                                                                             | (17-1) | 70     |
| 3. East Grand Rapids                                                                                        | (16-1) | 56     |
| (tie) Detroit Renaissance                                                                                   | (17-2) | 56     |
| 5. Hudsonville                                                                                              | (17-1) | 52     |
| 6. Farmington Hills Mercy                                                                                   | (17-2) | 50     |
| 7. Brighton                                                                                                 | (16-2) | 49     |
| 8. Port Huron                                                                                               | (20-0) | 43     |
| 9. East Kentwood                                                                                            | (15-3) | 26     |
| 10. Midland Dow                                                                                             | (16-2) | 22     |
| Others receiving 12 or more votes: Bloomfield Hills Marian 19, Flint Carman Ainsworth 18, Macomb Dakota 17. |        |        |

| Division 2                                                   | Total  | Points |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. Detroit Edison (5)                                        | (17-0) | 75     |
| 2. Grand Rapids West Catholic                                | (17-1) | 67     |
| 3. Menominee                                                 | (18-0) | 64     |
| 4. Edwardsburg                                               | (17-1) | 57     |
| 5. Grand Rapids Christian                                    | (15-3) | 54     |
| (tie) Chelsea                                                | (16-2) | 54     |
| 7. Williamston                                               | (15-3) | 41     |
| (tie) Cadillac                                               | (17-1) | 41     |
| 9. Big Rapids                                                | (17-1) | 34     |
| 10. Battle Creek Harper Creek                                | (16-2) | 27     |
| Others receiving 12 or more votes: Goodrich 21, Portland 14. |        |        |

| Division 3                                                                                        | Total  | Points |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. Pewamo-Westphalia (5)                                                                          | (15-2) | 75     |
| 2. Kent City                                                                                      | (18-1) | 70     |
| 3. Lake City                                                                                      | (18-1) | 58     |
| 4. Grass Lake                                                                                     | (15-2) | 56     |
| 5. Niles Brandywine                                                                               | (18-0) | 51     |
| 6. Michigan Center                                                                                | (15-3) | 50     |
| 7. Flint Hamady                                                                                   | (18-2) | 35     |
| 8. Ypsilanti Arbor Preparatory                                                                    | (15-5) | 32     |
| 9. Mantou                                                                                         | (17-1) | 30     |
| (tie) Byron                                                                                       | (17-1) | 30     |
| Others receiving 12 or more votes: Hemlock 17, Ithaca 17, Springport 16, Maple City Glen Lake 15. |        |        |

| Division 4                                    | Total  | Points |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. Adrian Lenawee Chr. (4)                    | (17-2) | 60     |
| 2. St. Ignace LaSalle                         | (15-2) | 55     |
| 3. Bellaire                                   | (18-0) | 53     |
| 4. M Pleasant Sacred Heart                    | (17-1) | 46     |
| 5. SJ Michigan Lutheran                       | (16-1) | 42     |
| 6. Even-Trout Creek                           | (18-1) | 34     |
| 7. Martin                                     | (17-1) | 31     |
| 8. Kingston                                   | (16-1) | 30     |
| 9. Allen Park Inter-City Baptist              | (15-2) | 26     |
| 10. Camden-Frontier                           | (18-2) | 20     |
| Others receiving votes: Athens 19, Fowler 14. |        |        |

**Michigan prep boys basketball poll**  
**Division 1**

| School                                                                          | Total  | Points |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. River Rouge (5)                                                              | (17-1) | 75     |
| 2. Orchard Lake St. Mary's                                                      | (16-1) | 68     |
| 3. Clarkston                                                                    | (16-1) | 66     |
| 4. Detroit Cass Tech                                                            | (17-1) | 61     |
| 5. Ypsilanti Lincoln                                                            | (15-2) | 54     |
| 6. Ann Arbor Huron                                                              | (16-1) | 50     |
| 7. Mount Pleasant                                                               | (16-0) | 40     |
| 8. Waterford Mott                                                               | (15-2) | 38     |
| 9. Grand Blanc                                                                  | (15-3) | 34     |
| 10. Muskegon                                                                    | (15-2) | 32     |
| Others receiving 12 or more votes: Wyoming 27, East Lansing 18, Hudsonville 14. |        |        |

**Division 2**

| School                                                                | Total  | Points |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. Benton Harbor (3)                                                  | (16-2) | 58     |
| 2. Grand Rapids Christian (1)                                         | (16-1) | 56     |
| 3. Goodrich                                                           | (17-1) | 48     |
| 4. Grand Rapids Catholic                                              | (15-2) | 44     |
| 5. Croswell-Lexington                                                 | (16-1) | 42     |
| 6. Williamston                                                        | (16-2) | 41     |
| 7. Bridgeport                                                         | (17-1) | 36     |
| 8. Otsego                                                             | (17-1) | 36     |
| 9. Carrollton                                                         | (14-1) | 25     |
| 10. Ovid-Elsie                                                        | (17-0) | 24     |
| Others receiving 12 or more votes: Frankmuth 22, Detroit Douglass 22. |        |        |

**Division 3**

| School                                                                                                                    | Total  | Points |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. Flint Beecher (3)                                                                                                      | (18-1) | 73     |
| 2. Iron Mountain (2)                                                                                                      | (16-0) | 69     |
| 3. Hanover-Horton                                                                                                         | (16-1) | 59     |
| 4. Schoolcraft                                                                                                            | (18-0) | 56     |
| 5. Ravenna                                                                                                                | (17-0) | 52     |
| 6. Pewamo-Westphalia                                                                                                      | (15-1) | 49     |
| 7. Oscoda                                                                                                                 | (17-0) | 41     |
| 8. Detroit Edison                                                                                                         | (16-4) | 39     |
| 9. Hemlock                                                                                                                | (12-1) | 22     |
| 10. Traverse City St. Francis                                                                                             | (15-2) | 20     |
| Others receiving 12 or more votes: Maple City Glen Lake 18, Negaunee 17, Charlevoix 16, Detroit Loyola 13, Blissfield 13. |        |        |

**Division 4**

| School                                   | Total  | Points |
|------------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1. Southfield Christian (3)              | (13-3) | 59     |
| 2. Kingston (1)                          | (17-0) | 56     |
| 3. Dollar Bay                            | (17-0) | 53     |
| 4. Hillsdale Academy                     | (15-2) | 43     |
| 5. Gaylord St. Mary                      | (14-2) | 42     |
| 6. Pickford                              | (14-2) | 41     |
| 7. Pellston                              | (15-2) | 40     |
| 8. Hale                                  | (15-3) | 30     |
| 9. Bellevue                              | (14-2) | 24     |
| 10. Camden-Frontier                      | (15-3) | 22     |
| Others receiving 12 or more votes: None. |        |        |

**Standings through Saturday's games**

**Girls**  
**SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE**

| West Division    | Div  | Overall |
|------------------|------|---------|
| Portage Central  | 9-1  | 17-3    |
| Niles            | 7-3  | 11-9    |
| St. Joseph       | 7-3  | 11-9    |
| Mattawan         | 5-5  | 10-14   |
| Lakeshore        | 2-9  | 6-10    |
| Portage Northern | 0-10 | 3-17    |

**East Division**

| Div             | Overall   |
|-----------------|-----------|
| BC Lakeview     | 7-1 14-6  |
| BC Central      | 6-2 16-4  |
| Kal. Central    | 4-4 10-10 |
| Gull Lake       | 3-5 11-9  |
| Kal. Loy Norrix | 0-8 3-17  |

**WOLVERINE CONFERENCE**

| North Division | Div | Overall |
|----------------|-----|---------|
| Plainwell      | 8-0 | 14-6    |

| South Division | Div  | Overall |
|----------------|------|---------|
| Edwardsburg    | 7-1  | 19-1    |
| Three Rivers   | 7-1  | 17-3    |
| Vicksburg      | 2-6  | 11-9    |
| Sturgis        | 3-5  | 8-12    |
| Dowagiac       | 0-10 | 2-18    |

**BERRIEN-CASS-ST. JOSEPH CONFERENCE**

**Red Division**

| Div             | Overall   |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Brandywine      | 10-0 19-1 |
| Buchanan        | 8-2 15-5  |
| Berrien Springs | 5-5 8-12  |
| Comstock        | 4-6 4-16  |
| Bridgman        | 2-8 4-16  |
| Parchment       | 1-9 1-19  |

**White Division**

| Div                    | Overall   |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Michigan Lutheran      | 13-1 19-1 |
| New Buffalo            | 12-2 16-4 |
| River Valley           | 9-4 11-8  |
| Lake Michigan Catholic | 9-5 11-9  |
| Lawrence               | 5-9 5-15  |
| Howardsville Christian | 5-9 6-11  |
| Countryside            | 2-11 2-11 |
| Covert                 | 0-14 3-14 |

**SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE**

**Lakeshore Division**

| Div        | Overall   |
|------------|-----------|
| Martin     | 9-1 19-1  |
| Gobles     | 8-2 17-3  |
| Saugatuck  | 5-5 11-9  |
| Coloma     | 5-5 10-10 |
| Fennville  | 3-7 6-14  |
| Watervliet | 0-10 5-15 |

**Valley Division**

| Div               | Overall   |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Schoolcraft       | 11-1 18-2 |
| Kal. Hackett      | 10-2 16-4 |
| Kal. Christian    | 8-4 13-7  |
| Delton Kellogg    | 6-6 11-9  |
| Constantine       | 3-8 6-13  |
| Galesburg-Augusta | 3-9 9-11  |
| Lawton            | 0-11 0-19 |

**SOUTHWEST 10 CONFERENCE**

| Conf         | Overall   |
|--------------|-----------|
| Centreville  | 15-1 19-1 |
| White Pigeon | 12-3 15-4 |
| Bloomington  | 12-3 13-5 |
| Decatur      | 11-5 15-5 |
| Hartford     | 8-8 10-8  |
| Marcellus    | 5-11 8-11 |
| Mendon       | 4-12 5-12 |
| Cassopolis   | 3-13 4-13 |
| Bangor       | 0-16 1-19 |

**INDEPENDENT**

| Overall       |      |
|---------------|------|
| Benton Harbor | 3-15 |

**Boys**  
**SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE**

**West Division**

| Div              | Overall  |
|------------------|----------|
| Portage Central  | 8-1 16-2 |
| Lakeshore        | 8-1 15-4 |
| Portage Northern | 5-4 11-7 |
| St. Joseph       | 4-5 7-12 |
| Mattawan         | 1-8 2-17 |
| Niles            | 1-8 2-17 |

**East Division**

| Div             | Overall  |
|-----------------|----------|
| Kal. Central    | 7-1 14-5 |
| Gull Lake       | 6-2 10-9 |
| BC Central      | 3-4 8-10 |
| BC Lakeview     | 2-5 9-9  |
| Kal. Loy Norrix | 1-7 5-14 |

**WOLVERINE CONFERENCE**

**North Division**

| Div         | Overall  |
|-------------|----------|
| Otsego      | 8-0 18-1 |
| South Haven | 5-3 10-8 |
| Gull Lake   | 4-4 7-12 |
| Paw Paw     | 3-5 7-12 |
| Allegan     | 0-8 2-18 |

**South Division**

| Div          | Overall  |
|--------------|----------|
| Edwardsburg  | 7-1 12-7 |
| Dowagiac     | 6-2 13-6 |
| Vicksburg    | 3-5 8-11 |
| Sturgis      | 2-6 9-9  |
| Three Rivers | 2-6 7-12 |

**BERRIEN-CASS-ST. JOSEPH CONFERENCE**

**Red Division**

| Div             | Overall  |
|-----------------|----------|
| Brandywine      | 7-2 16-2 |
| Bridgman        | 7-2 15-4 |
| Buchanan        | 6-3 15-3 |
| Parchment       | 4-5 7-10 |
| Comstock        | 2-7 5-13 |
| Berrien Springs | 1-8 6-12 |

**White Division**

| Div                    | Overall   |
|------------------------|-----------|
| River Valley           | 13-0 16-3 |
| New Buffalo            | 12-1 12-6 |
| Howardsville Christian | 8-5 9-9   |
| Lawrence               | 7-6 8-11  |
| Countryside            | 6-7 7-10  |
| Michigan Lutheran      | 4-8 6-11  |
| Lake Michigan Catholic | 2-12 2-15 |
| Covert                 | 0-13 0-17 |

**SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE**

**Lakeshore Division**

| Div        | Overall  |
|------------|----------|
| Fennville  | 9-1 14-5 |
| Coloma     | 7-3 11-7 |
| Gobles     | 5-5 12-7 |
| Martin     | 5-5 8-10 |
| Watervliet | 3-7 7-13 |
| Saugatuck  | 1-9 2-16 |

**Valley Division**

| Div               | Overall   |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Schoolcraft       | 12-0 19-0 |
| Kal. Christian    | 8-4 12-7  |
| Kal. Hackett      | 7-5 9-9   |
| Delton Kellogg    | 6-6 9-9   |
| Lawton            | 5-7 7-12  |
| Constantine       | 4-8 6-13  |
| Galesburg-Augusta | 0-12 1-17 |

**SOUTHWEST 10 CONFERENCE**

| Conf         | Overall   |
|--------------|-----------|
| Centreville  | 14-3 15-4 |
| Cassopolis   | 14-3 14-5 |
| Marcellus    | 13-4 14-5 |
| Bloomington  | 12-5 14-5 |
| Eau Claire   | 10-7 11-8 |
| Hartford     | 9-8 10-9  |
| White Pigeon | 7-10 7-11 |
| Decatur      | 4-13 5-14 |
| Mendon       | 2-15 2-15 |
| Bangor       | 0-17 0-18 |

**INDEPENDENT**

| Overall       |      |
|---------------|------|
| Benton Harbor | 16-2 |

**BOWLING**

**KELLEY'S BOWL**  
FRIDAY NITE MIXED – Scott Z. 736 (278), Zach Schuman 687 (259), Aaron Collins 617 (222), Larry Schutt 603 (187), Nate Schuman 600 (224), Michele Briney 630 (259). Team scores: Regulators 2370 (849), Stokers 2349 (833), Fro Pro's 2157 (727).  
WILDLIFE SENIORS – Billy Froberg 723 (269), Dan Symonds 654, Gene Rose 648 (257), Pete Morgan 646, Mike Duensing 639, Nancy Pinkerton 540, Gladys Hunter 520, Connie Koth 505, Pat Conrad 504.  
MILLER LITE MIXED – Mark Pullins 690, Justin Wade 677 (259), Ken Berry Jr. 662 (279), Corey Fister 648, AJ Poole 617, Colleen Pullins 514.  
BERRIEN GUTTER GALLS – Gladys Hunter 521, Sherrie Teed 488, Pat Bohanek 478, Nancy Martin 450. Team score: Nash 1330.

**Monday's girls scores**

**Division 1**  
**First Round**  
**District 1**  
Marquette 47, Petoskey 30  
Traverse City West 51, Gaylord 47

**District 2**  
Midland Dow 70, Bay City Central 42

**District 3**  
Flint Carman-Ainsworth 48, Flushing 38

**District 4**  
Davison 49, Flint Kearsley 43

**District 5**  
Clarkston 58, Romeo 32  
Rochester Adams 53, Oxford 34

**District 6**  
West Bloomfield 54, Bloomfield Hills 40

**District 7**  
Walled Lake Western 46, Milford 26

**District 8**  
Hartland 59, Fenton 22

**District 9**  
Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central 45, Lowell 38  
Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern 43, Cedar Springs 25  
Grand Rapids Northview 31, Greenville 30

**District 10**  
East Kentwood 50, Byron Center 43  
Middleville Thornapple Kellogg 56, Grand

Rapids Ottawa Hills 37

**District 11**  
Holland West Ottawa 41, Zeeland East 22  
Jenison 59, Grandville 47  
Zeeland West 49, Holland 35

**District 12**  
Muskegon 46, Grand Rapids Kenowa Hills 33  
Muskegon Reeths-Puffer 65, Grand Rapids Union 47

**District 13**  
Kalamazoo Central 65, Portage Northern 31  
Portage Central 26, St. Joseph 18

**District 14**  
Battle Creek Central 58, Kalamazoo Loy Norrix 14  
Battle Creek Lakeview 55, Richland Gull Lake 50

**District 15**  
East Lansing 71, Grand Ledge 33

**District 16**  
Holt 71, Lansing Everett 26  
Jackson Northwest 46, Mason 37

**District 17**  
Brighton 55, South Lyon 8  
Dexter 56, Pinckney 46

**District 18**  
Ann Arbor Huron 57, Ypsilanti 43  
Saline 80, Belleville 59

**District 19**  
Livonia Churchill 31, Canton 28

**District 20**  
Wayne Memorial 65, Garden City 25

**District 21**  
Bedford 71, Brownstown Woodhaven 32

**District 22**  
Riverview 68, Lincoln Park 29

**District 23**  
Dearborn 62, Allen Park 17

**District 24**  
Detroit Cass Tech 75, Dearborn Fordson 34

**District 25**  
Farmington Hills Mercy 68, Farmington 44

**District 26**  
Bloomfield Hills Marian 78, Birmingham Seaholm 29  
Southfield A&T 48, Birmingham Groves 34

**District 27**  
Detroit Renaissance 56, Oak Park 28

**District 28**  
Grosse Pointe South 64, Eastpointe East Detroit 26

**District 29**  
Rochester Hills Stoney Creek 40, Troy Athletics 36  
Utica 39, Troy 23

**District 30**  
Sterling Heights Stevenson 42, Clinton Township Chippewa Valley 39

**District 31**  
St. Clair Shores Lakeview 36, Fraser 18

**District 32**  
Macomb Dakota 44, Fair Haven-Anchorage 39

**Quarterfinal**  
**District 10**  
Wyoming 42, Caledonia 40

**Division 2**  
**First Round**  
**District 33**  
Gladstone 46, Menominee 45

**District 34**  
Kingsley 62, Cheboygan 32  
Sault Ste Marie 60, Grayling 9

**District 35**  
Big Rapids 48, Manistee 29  
Cadillac 43, Ludington 39

**District 36**  
Standish-Sterling 65, Gladwin 39

**District 37**  
Portland 58, Ionia 39  
Stanton Central Montcalm 48, Belding 44

**District 38**  
Bay City John Glenn 49, Essexville Garber 46  
Freeland 55, Midland Bullock Creek 28

**District 39**  
Bridgeport 56, Caro 35  
Frankenmuth 66, Clio 13

**District 40**  
Chesaning 50, Corunna 24

**District 41**  
Montague 57, Muskegon Orchard View 18  
Whitehall 52, Oakridge High School 23

**District 42**  
Comstock Park 73, Howard City Tri-County 51  
Newaygo 51, Fremont 46

**District 43**  
Grand Rapids West Catholic 75, Allendale 41

**District 44**  
Grand Rapids Catholic Central 41, Grand Rapids Wellspring 17  
Grand Rapids Christian 66, Wyoming Godwin Heights 24

**District 45**  
Edwardsburg 71, Dowagiac Union 15  
Three Rivers 53, Buchanan 25

**District 46**  
Coloma 33, Benton Harbor 29  
Hamilton 54, Otsego 30

**District 47**  
Grand Rapids South Christian 49, Grand River Prep 28  
Wayland Union 56, Hopkins 40

**District 48**  
Battle Creek Harper Creek 61, Paw Paw 30  
Plainwell 52, Parchment 26

**District 49**  
Haslett 47, Lansing Catholic 39  
Williamston 64, Lansing Eastern 18

**District 50**  
Charlotte 49, Olivet 40  
Marshall 55, Hastings 17

**District 51**  
Eaton Rapids 58, Chelsea 49

**District 52**  
Ida 59, Adrian 33

**District 53**  
Flat Rock 63, Grosse Ile 36

**District 54**  
Dearborn Divine Child 65, Dearborn Heights Robichaud 21

**District 55**  
Detroit Ford 47, Detroit Cesar Chavez 15

**District 56**  
Detroit Edison(DEPSA) def. Detroit International, forfeit

**District 58**  
Detroit Cody 78, Detroit Cornerstone 29

**District 59**  
Warren Lincoln 46, Center Line 22

**District 60**  
Harper Woods Chandler Park Academy 67, Detroit Denby 16

**District 61**  
Clawson 39, Detroit Country Day 34

**District 62**  
Marine City 43, Macomb Lutheran North 34

**District 63**  
Imlay City 40, Croswell-Lexington 35  
Marysville 54, Armada 25

**District 64**  
Goodrich 57, North Branch 14  
Lake Fenton 73, Mount Morris 15

**ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE**

**Conference**

| W              | L  | Pct | W    | L  | Pct |      |
|----------------|----|-----|------|----|-----|------|
| Louisville     | 15 | 4   | .789 | 24 | 6   | .800 |
| Florida St.    | 14 | 4   | .778 | 24 | 5   | .828 |
| Duke           | 13 | 5   | .722 | 23 | 6   | .793 |
| Virginia       | 13 | 5   | .722 | 21 | 7   | .750 |
| NC State       | 9  | 9   | .500 | 18 | 11  | .621 |
| Notre Dame     | 9  | 9   | .500 | 18 | 11  | .621 |
| Syracuse       | 9  | 9   | .500 | 16 | 13  | .552 |
| Clemson        | 9  | 9   | .500 | 15 | 13  | .536 |
| Georgia Tech   | 9  | 9   | .500 | 15 | 14  | .517 |
| Boston College | 7  | 11  | .389 | 13 | 16  | .448 |
| Virginia Tech  | 6  | 12  | .333 | 15 | 14  | .517 |
| Miami          | 6  | 12  | .333 | 14 | 15  | .464 |
| Wake Forest    | 6  | 12  | .333 | 13 | 15  | .464 |
| Pittsburgh     | 6  | 13  | .316 | 15 | 15  | .500 |
| North Carolina | 5  | 13  | .278 | 12 | 17  | .414 |

**Sunday's Games**  
Louisville 68, Virginia Tech 52

**Monday's Game**  
NC State at Duke

**Today's Games**  
Syracuse at Boston College, 7 p.m.  
Wake Forest at North Carolina, 7 p.m.

**BIG TEN CONFERENCE**

**Conference**

| W         | L  | Pct | W    | L  | Pct |      |
|-----------|----|-----|------|----|-----|------|
| Maryland  | 13 | 5   | .722 | 23 | 6   | .793 |
| Illinois  | 12 | 6   | .667 | 20 | 9   | .690 |
| Michigan  | 12 | 6   | .667 | 20 | 9   | .690 |
| Wisconsin | 12 | 6   | .667 | 19 | 10  | .655 |
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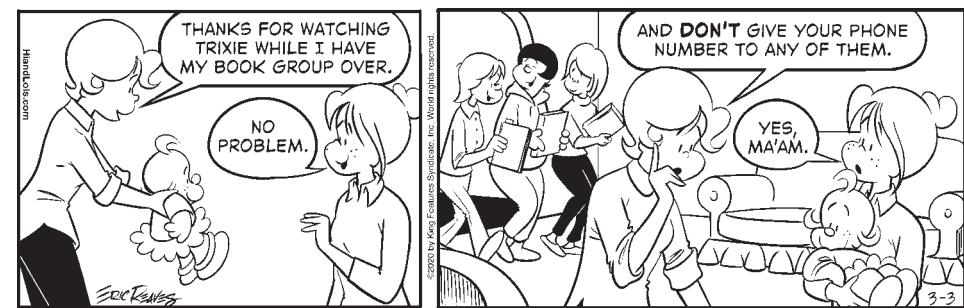
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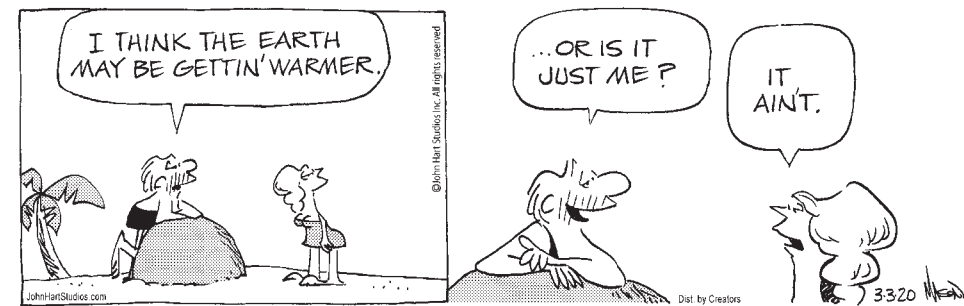
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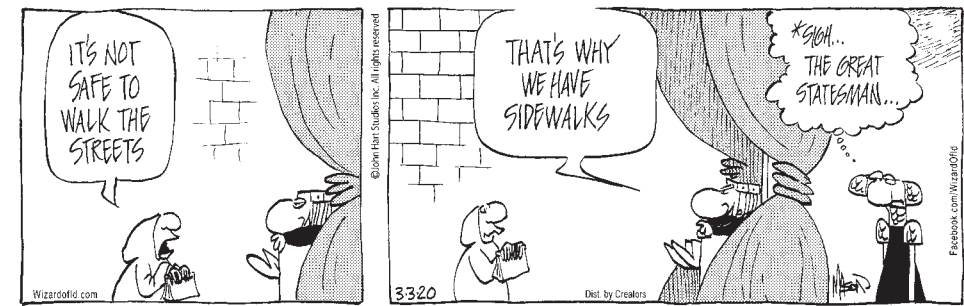
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PRIME TIME TV

| TUESDAY EVENING MAR. 3  |                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                         | 7:30                                                                                                                                       | 8 PM                                                                                                           | 8:30                               | 9 PM                                                                             | 9:30                                                          | 10 PM 10:30                      |
| ABC<br>(7)(13)(41)(57)  | Wheel of Fortune                                                                                                                           | Super Tuesday: Your Voice Your Vote 2020 (N) (L) 📺                                                             |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| CBS<br>(2)(3)(22)       | Ent. Tonight                                                                                                                               | To Be Announced                                                                                                |                                    | CBS News Election Special – Super Tuesday: High Stakes (N) (L) 📺                 |                                                               |                                  |
| NBC<br>(5)(8)(16)       | Ac. Hollywood                                                                                                                              | Ellen's Game of Games (N) 📺                                                                                    |                                    | Ellen's Game of Games 📺                                                          | 2020 Super Tuesday Coverage (N) 📺                             |                                  |
| FOX<br>(17)(22)(28)(32) | Modern Family                                                                                                                              | The Resident "Reverse Cinderella" (N)                                                                          |                                    | Empire Devon confronts Tiana. (N)                                                | Fox 17 News at 10:00PM (N) 📺                                  |                                  |
| PBS<br>(34)             | Steves' Europe                                                                                                                             | Julia Child: Best Bites and "The French Chef."                                                                 |                                    | Julia Child                                                                      | Rise Up: Songs of the Women's Movement 📺                      |                                  |
| CW<br>(25)              | Big Bang Theory                                                                                                                            | The Flash "Love Is a Battlefield" 📺                                                                            |                                    | DC's Legends of Tomorrow 📺                                                       | News                                                          | Seinfeld 📺                       |
| MNT<br>(50)             | Family Feud                                                                                                                                | Chicago P.D. "Debts of the Past" 📺                                                                             |                                    | Chicago P.D. "Trigger" (DVS) 📺                                                   | Chicago P.D. "Black and Blue"                                 |                                  |
| WCIU<br>(26)            | Mike & Molly                                                                                                                               | The Flash "Love Is a Battlefield" 📺                                                                            |                                    | DC's Legends of Tomorrow 📺                                                       | 2 Broke Girls                                                 | 2 Broke Girls                    |
| WHME<br>(46)            | :00 Heartland                                                                                                                              | Heartland "Broken Heartland" 📺                                                                                 |                                    | Highway to Heaven "The Source" 📺                                                 | The List (N) 📺                                                | Celebrity Page (N)               |
| WGN<br>(9)              | News                                                                                                                                       | black-ish 📺                                                                                                    | black-ish 📺                        | Last Man Standing                                                                | Last Man Standing                                             | WGN News at Nine (N) (L) 📺       |
| A&E                     | :00 The First 48                                                                                                                           | The First 48 "Standing Ground" 📺                                                                               |                                    | The First 48: Tracking a Killer (N) 📺                                            |                                                               |                                  |
| AMC                     | *** Inside Man                                                                                                                             | *** The Perfect Storm '00 George Clooney, Mark Wahlberg. A fishing boat sails into the storm of the century. 📺 |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| Animal                  | Peterson                                                                                                                                   | Coyote P                                                                                                       | Coyote P                           | Extinct Or Alive: Extinct Or Alive:                                              |                                                               |                                  |
| BET                     | Tyler Perry's Temptation                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                | Tyler Perry's The Single Moms Club |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| Big Ten                 | College Basketball                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                |                                    | College Basketball Purdue at Iowa. (N)                                           |                                                               |                                  |
| Bravo                   | Vanderpump Rules (N) 📺                                                                                                                     | Vanderpump Rules (N) 📺                                                                                         |                                    | Vanderpump Rules (N) 📺                                                           | Watch What                                                    | Vanderpump Rules                 |
| Cartoon                 | Gumball                                                                                                                                    | Home                                                                                                           | Burgers                            | Burgers                                                                          | Rick & American                                               | American                         |
| Cinemax                 | 6:05 The Meg                                                                                                                               | *** The Miseducation of Cameron Post (18) (P).                                                                 |                                    |                                                                                  | :35 📺 *** Michael Clayton (07) George Clooney. 📺              |                                  |
| CMT                     | *** Tommy Boy (95) Chris Farley. 📺                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               | 📺 The Goonies                    |
| CNBC                    | Shark                                                                                                                                      | Shark Tank                                                                                                     |                                    | Shark Tank                                                                       |                                                               |                                  |
| CNN                     | 5:00 America's Choice 2020: Super Tuesday (N) (L) 📺                                                                                        |                                                                                                                |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| Comedy                  | Office                                                                                                                                     | Office                                                                                                         | Office                             | Office                                                                           | Office                                                        | Office                           |
| Discovery               | :00 Moonshiners                                                                                                                            | Moonshiners: Outlaw Cuts "Hemp Shine"                                                                          |                                    | Moonshiners "Triple Grain Double Cross" Mark and Digger visit an old shiner. (N) |                                                               |                                  |
| Disney                  | Bunk'd                                                                                                                                     | Bunk'd                                                                                                         | Gabby                              | Sydney                                                                           | Just Roll                                                     | Coop Sydney                      |
| DIY                     | Restored                                                                                                                                   | Building Off the Grid                                                                                          |                                    | Building Off the Grid                                                            |                                                               | Building Off the Grid            |
| E!                      | Botched 📺                                                                                                                                  | Botched 📺                                                                                                      |                                    | Botched 📺                                                                        |                                                               | Botched                          |
| ESPN                    | College Basketball                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                |                                    | College Basketball Tennessee at Kentucky.                                        |                                                               |                                  |
| ESPN2                   | College Basketball                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                |                                    | College Basketball Teams TBA. (N) (L)                                            |                                                               |                                  |
| ESPNc                   | Basket                                                                                                                                     | College Football From Oct. 4, 2012.                                                                            |                                    |                                                                                  | College Football                                              |                                  |
| Food                    | Chopped                                                                                                                                    | Chopped 📺                                                                                                      |                                    | Chopped (N) 📺                                                                    |                                                               | Chopped 📺                        |
| Fox News                | The Story                                                                                                                                  | Tucker Carlson                                                                                                 |                                    | Hannity (N) 📺                                                                    |                                                               | The Ingraham Angle               |
| Fox Sports              | Tennis                                                                                                                                     | MLB Preseason Baseball: Tigers at Twins                                                                        |                                    |                                                                                  | Tigers                                                        | Detroit                          |
| Freefrm                 | 6:00 *** Back to the Future                                                                                                                | *** Back to the Future Part II (89, Comedy) Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd. 📺                               |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| FX                      | :00 📺 *** The Wolf of Wall Street (13, Biography) Leonardo DiCaprio, Jonah Hill. A stockbroker develops habits of excess and corruption. 📺 |                                                                                                                |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| Golf                    | Golf                                                                                                                                       | Golf's Greatest Round at the PLAYERS Championship                                                              |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               | Central                          |
| Hallmark                | Love on Iceland                                                                                                                            | The Art of Us (17, Romance) Taylor Cole, Steve Lund. 📺                                                         |                                    |                                                                                  | 📺 Love, Fall & Order (19) Drew Fuller.                        |                                  |
| HBO                     | Hunter Killer (18)                                                                                                                         | The Outsider "Tigers and Bears" 📺                                                                              |                                    |                                                                                  | *** Hall Pass (11) Owen Wilson, Jason Sudeikis. 📺             |                                  |
| History                 | Oak Is                                                                                                                                     | Digging Deeper                                                                                                 |                                    | Curse-Island                                                                     |                                                               |                                  |
| HGTV                    | Love-List                                                                                                                                  | Love It or List It                                                                                             |                                    | Unsellable                                                                       | Unsellable                                                    | One/Kind One/Kind                |
| Learning                | Fabulous                                                                                                                                   | Fat Fabulous                                                                                                   |                                    | I Am Jazz (N)                                                                    |                                                               |                                  |
| Lifetime                | The Bad Seed (18)                                                                                                                          | *** Girl in the Bunker (17, Suspense) Julia Lalonde, Henry Thomas. 📺                                           |                                    |                                                                                  | :03 📺 Girl in the Box (16) Zane Holtz.                        |                                  |
| MSNBC                   | Hardball                                                                                                                                   | All In With                                                                                                    |                                    | Rachel Maddow                                                                    |                                                               |                                  |
| MTV                     | Catfish                                                                                                                                    | Siesta Key (N) 📺                                                                                               |                                    | :01 Siesta Key (N)                                                               |                                                               |                                  |
| NBCSCH                  | Sports                                                                                                                                     | Pregame                                                                                                        | NHL Hockey                         | Anaheim Ducks at Chicago Blackhawks.                                             |                                                               |                                  |
| NFL                     | NFL Total                                                                                                                                  | NFL All-Time Team                                                                                              |                                    | A Football Life                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| Nick                    | Chimpunks-Squeakuel                                                                                                                        | Friends                                                                                                        |                                    | Friends Friends                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| NGEO                    | Port Prot.                                                                                                                                 | Life Below Zero                                                                                                |                                    | Life Below Zero                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| Oxygen                  | :00 Chicago P.D.                                                                                                                           | Chicago P.D. "What Do You Do" 📺                                                                                |                                    | Chicago P.D. 📺                                                                   |                                                               | Chicago P.D. "Say Her Real Name" |
| Parmt                   | :00 📺 *** Bad Boys (95) Martin Lawrence. 📺                                                                                                 | Nick Master (N) 📺                                                                                              |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| Showtime                | Green Book (18)                                                                                                                            | Homeland Saul plans an announcement.                                                                           |                                    | *** On the Basis of Sex (18, Biography) Felicity Jones, Armie Hammer. 📺          |                                                               |                                  |
| Starz                   | 6:08 *** The Aviator (04) Leonardo DiCaprio. 📺                                                                                             |                                                                                                                |                                    |                                                                                  | :02 📺 *** Rent (05, Musical) 📺                                |                                  |
| STZENC                  | 6:28 *** Robots                                                                                                                            | *** Toy Story 3 (10) Tom Hanks. 📺                                                                              |                                    |                                                                                  | :45 📺 *** Daddy Day Care (03) Eddie Murphy. 📺                 |                                  |
| SyFy                    | :00 📺 *** Underworld: Blood Wars (16) Theo James                                                                                           |                                                                                                                |                                    |                                                                                  | *** The Purge (13, Suspense) Ethan Hawke, Lena Headey. (P). 📺 |                                  |
| TBS                     | Big Bang Theory                                                                                                                            | Big Bang Theory                                                                                                | Big Bang Theory                    | Big Bang Theory                                                                  | Big Bang Theory                                               | Miracle Workers                  |
| TCM                     | 6:00 Saratoga                                                                                                                              | *** Freedom on My Mind (94, Documentary)                                                                       |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |
| TMC                     | Aspern Papers                                                                                                                              | *** At Eternity's Gate (18, Biography) Willem Dafoe, Rupert Friend. 📺                                          |                                    |                                                                                  | *** The Horse Whisperer                                       |                                  |
| TNT                     | NBA Basketball                                                                                                                             | Brooklyn Nets at Boston Celtics. (L)                                                                           |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               | NBA Basketball                   |
| Travel                  | Ghost                                                                                                                                      | Ghost Adventures (N) 📺                                                                                         |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               | Portals to Hell (N)              |
| TV Land                 | Andy G.                                                                                                                                    | Raymond                                                                                                        | Everybody Raymond                  | Raymond                                                                          | Two Men                                                       | Two Men                          |
| USA                     | Law & Order: SVU                                                                                                                           | The Biggest Loser (N) 📺 (DVS)                                                                                  |                                    | The Biggest Loser (N) 📺 (DVS)                                                    |                                                               |                                  |
| VH1                     | Wild/Out                                                                                                                                   | Wild/Out                                                                                                       | Wild/Out                           | Wild/Out                                                                         | Wild/Out                                                      | Wild/Out                         |
| WGN-A                   | :00 📺 *** Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian                                                                                   | *** Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (09) Ben Stiller. 📺                                         |                                    |                                                                                  |                                                               |                                  |

Teen sexual assault victim seeks closure after 50 years

**DEAR ABBY:** Fifty years ago, at the age of 17, I was raped by a high school classmate. At the time, I was living in an apartment with a friend, “Becky.” She and three male classmates witnessed the attack, stood by and did nothing. (They were drunk.)

I never reported the assault because I was scared, embarrassed and ashamed. No one ever spoke about it, and Becky and I went our separate ways. I eventually married, moved away from my hometown and tried to put the incident behind me.

Fifteen years ago, I moved back and married a local man. I see all those people frequently around town, which reminds me of that terrible night. I don’t think it’s fair that I have had to live with this for 50 years while the others appear to have forgotten and gone on their merry way. None of them ever apologized or acknowledged their part in the attack. I remember it as vividly as if it were last week.

I would like to confront those involved. A friend suggested I privately confront my attacker. I be-

lieve calling out these people will give me peace of mind. My husband and I are planning to move out of the area, so I will never have to see any of them again. Should I confront all of them or just my attacker? Or should I let sleeping dogs lie? – Assaulted In Idaho

**DEAR ASSAULTED:** Before deciding whether to confront these people after 50 years or let sleeping dogs lie, what I think you should do is discuss what happened with a licensed therapist, specifically one who works with patients who have PTSD. Whereas a half-century ago there was a tendency to blame the victims of sexual assault, we have come a long way since then, and help is available for you if you’re willing to get it.

A way to find help in making this important decision would be to contact RAINN (rainn.org). The toll-free phone number is 800-656-4673. RAINN is the free, confidential national sexual assault hotline, and it’s available 24/7.

**DEAR ABBY:** I’m a beautiful 77-year-old woman in excellent health who has fun traveling internationally. I will soon be taking my oldest daughter to Europe at my expense because I want a companion.

I’m 19 years older than she is. She also is in great health and has

a fun-loving personality. We look like sisters and have fun together wherever we go. However, I don’t want her to call me “Mom” while we are out in public places. Can I ask her not to call me that?

She is stubborn and always has been, but I love her and want her around while I’m traveling, rather than friends. She’s single, but I’m not. My husband can’t go because of health issues.

I need my daughter to go with me. Can you give me some ideas on how to approach her to not call me “Mom” in public? What if she refuses to go with me? – One Stipulation In The South

**DEAR STIPULATION:** I can’t help but wonder why not being called “Mom” is so important to you. I have read your letter several times, and I’m struck by the fact that it’s all about YOU and what YOU want. Your daughter is long past 21, and I’m sure she can make her own decisions. You can ask her not to call you “Mom,” but whether she will agree and won’t forget to not address you that way is anyone’s guess. Old habits die hard.

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Not ready to be a father

*Adapted from an online discussion.*

**DEAR CAROLYN:** I’m kind of freaked out about my girlfriend’s unplanned pregnancy. She was planning to have an abortion, but she backed out. Now she is saying she can’t go through with it and will have the baby and give it up for adoption. I think this is all due to her mom working on her emotions. She should never have told her mom and I am secretly mad she did. Even though they are very close she should have kept this to herself.

I am not ready to be a father and was very clear on that to my girlfriend. I’m worried she will change her mind again and keep the baby and I will be stuck. She’s really emotional and confused right now but all I can see is that she’s going to ruin our lives because her mom stuck her nose in where it didn’t belong.

How do I support my girlfriend through this pregnancy, which I want to do, while still making it clear I am not on board with being a father? I will pay the child support for 18 years but that’s all

I’m willing to do. I’m not going to be father to a child because we got drunk and had unprotected sex one time. Should I lay this all on the line now? Waiting to see if she actually does give the baby up seems too risky. – Not Ready to Be a Father

**NOT READY TO BE A FATHER:** Let’s see. You blame your girlfriend (“She should never have told her mom”).

You blame the mom (“this is all due to her mom working on her emotions”).

You projection-blame your girlfriend again (“she’s going to ruin our lives”).

You blame alcohol (“we got drunk and had unprotected sex one time”).

Where’s the part where you blame yourself for drinking too much and having sex you weren’t ready to have? Being ready means ready for the consequences, including pregnancy.

Don’t lay anything on the line with anybody until you look in a mirror and own this. Every bit of it. If all you want is to get yourself off the hook, then you’re going to do and say things that, with the benefit of maturity, time and perspective, you’ll be ashamed of the rest of your life.

You got it out of your system here with me, anonymously. Good. Now square yourself up and own your fatherhood. Not just paternity – fatherhood. You made the choices that got you here, just as your girlfriend made hers, and so now both of you need to work together to figure out what would offer the best possible outcome for all involved, eventual baby included. That’s what good people do.

**RE: UNWILLING FATHER:** I agree, but let’s also understand our society’s irrational responses to unplanned pregnancies. The mother could be applying unhealthy pressure on her to not abort. He has every right to ask her to consider getting counseling from a more neutral source. Our society’s hostility to abortion leads to unwanted children ... and decades of guilt in store for both parents, including fathers who pay support dutifully.

It will be easier for him if he realizes, though, that he can’t control what she does. – Anonymous

**ANONYMOUS:** A strong second on unbiased counseling for them both, thanks.

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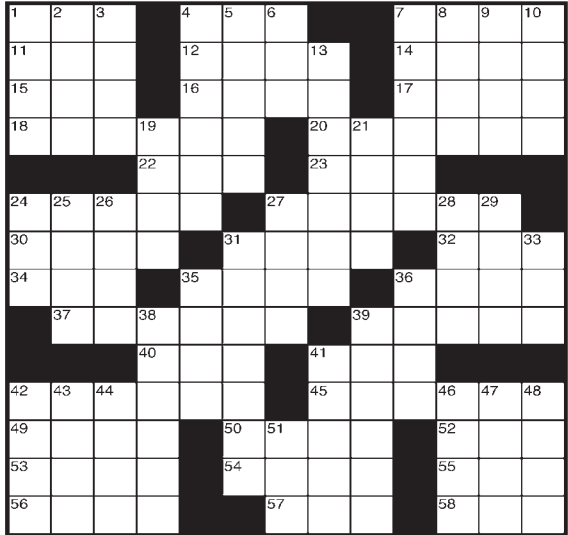
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Ticked off
  - 4 Tempe inst.
  - 7 Huffed and puffed
  - 11 Hydrocarbon suffix
  - 12 Halftime marchers
  - 14 Distant hauler
  - 15 Had dinner tool (Var.)
  - 16 Kind of gin
  - 17 Missing
  - 18 Paper in chem lab
  - 20 Honked
  - 22 Historical period
  - 23 Aleta's son
  - 24 Showed fright
  - 27 Steak cut
  - 30 Got off the plane
  - 31 Is not well
  - 32 Luau strummer
  - 34 Chinese chairman
  - 35 Moppets
  - 36 Writing on the wall
  - 37 Money earned
  - 39 Fills with cargo

- DOWN**
- 40 Bard's prince
  - 41 Topple over
  - 42 Prone's opposite
  - 45 Solution
  - 49 Nest builder
  - 50 Freight hauler
  - 52 Stone Age
  - 53 Ms. Dinesen
  - 54 Detected
  - 55 Chaperoned girl
  - 56 Lassies
  - 57 Internet suffix
  - 58 That, to Juanita
  - 1 Ground corn
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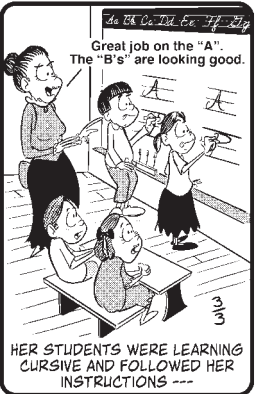


JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

- CEREH  
TCEFH  
TOTTAO  
NLNEIO

Yesterday's Jumbles: THEFT ORBIT  
Answer: When 4-foot-10-inch Danny DeVito was called to the film set, he said he'd — BE THERE SHORTLY



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)  
MERELY SHAKEN

BRIDGE

A.N. Onymous quipped, “Behind every successful man there stands an amazed woman.” But sometimes success isn’t such a surprise: It is etched in stone — as in today’s deal.

North shot his partner into six hearts. When the dummy came down, South saw that they might have missed seven. But he had been taught when balancing precariously on his grandmother’s knee to concentrate on the actual contract.

After winning trick one with dummy’s club ace, declarer drew two rounds of trumps. He continued with a diamond to dummy’s king and a club ruff. Next came a diamond to dummy’s ace and a diamond ruff. If the suit had broken 3-3, South would

have claimed all 13 tricks. But West discarded a club.

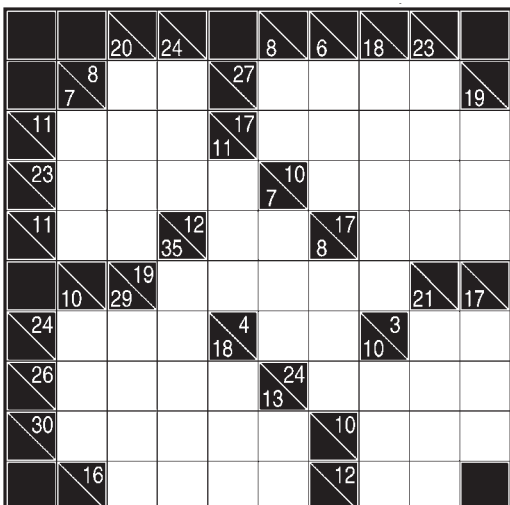
South wasn’t displeased, though. It gave him a chance for a pretty play. He led a low spade and finessed dummy’s nine. East won with the jack, but had no winning riposte. If he returned a club, it would have conceded a ruff-and-sluff, allowing declarer to discard his spade loser. If East played back a spade, it would have been into dummy’s ace-queen tenace. So East tried the diamond jack. But South ruffed, played a spade to dummy’s ace and threw his last spade on the established diamond seven.

Note that West couldn’t help by inserting the spade 10. Dummy’s queen would be played, and the ace-nine would remain as a tenace

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| North             |                | 03-03-20 |            |
| ♠                 | A Q 9          |          |            |
| ♥                 | 5 3 2          |          |            |
| ♦                 | A K 7 4 3      |          |            |
| ♣                 | A 4            |          |            |
| West              |                | East     |            |
| ♠                 | 10 8 6 5       | ♠        | K J 2      |
| ♥                 | J 4            | ♥        | 8          |
| ♦                 | Q 9            | ♦        | 10 6 5     |
| ♣                 | K Q J 9 2      | ♣        | 10 8 7 5 3 |
| South             |                |          |            |
| ♠                 | 7 4 3          |          |            |
| ♥                 | A K Q 10 9 7 6 |          |            |
| ♦                 | 8 2            |          |            |
| ♣                 | 6              |          |            |
| Dealer: South     |                |          |            |
| Vulnerable: Both  |                |          |            |
| South             | West           | North    | East       |
| 4♥                | Pass           | 6♥       | All Pass   |
| Opening lead: ♠ K |                |          |            |

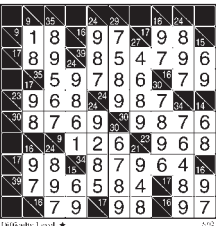
around East’s jack. The contract is defeated by a spade lead and a club switch, but that is impossible to find. Any time you see an A-Q-9 or A-Q-10 combination, consider an end-play.

KAKURO



Difficulty Level ★★

**How to play:** Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.



Difficulty Level ★

SUDOKU

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**How to play:** Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

| PREVIOUS SOLUTION |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
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| 6                 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 3 | 4 |
| 2                 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 1                 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 9 |
| 9                 | 6 | 3 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 5 |
| 7                 | 8 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 6 |

# Colombia court upholds law restricting access to abortion

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — Colombia’s Constitutional Court voted Monday in favor of upholding the nation’s restrictive abortion law in a ruling that had been closely watched around Latin America.

Magistrates ruled to continue allowing the procedure only when medically necessary, quickly dashing the hopes of pro-choice advocates who thought the influential court might pave the way for a broader opening in a region with some of the world’s most restrictive abortion policies.

“They missed an opportunity to change women’s

lives,” said Mariana Ardila, a lawyer with Women’s Link Worldwide, an international non-profit organization.

Magistrates held off on allowing women the right to legally terminate a pregnancy within the first 16 weeks of gestation, instead ratifying a 2006 ruling allowing abortions only when a women’s life is at risk, the fetus is malformed or the pregnancy is a result of rape.

Abortion is entirely prohibited in six nations in Latin America and has become a focal point of demonstrations in recent months.

In Colombia, a deeply Catholic nation, polls showed a

majority would be against expanding access. Still, women’s rights advocates argued it was time for the court to reconsider its prior ruling, noting that many women in the nation still die seeking the procedure each year.

Colombia’s Constitutional Court is considered a referential institution in Latin America, and the decision could have had wide-reaching implications around the region.

The case was brought to the court by a lawyer, Natalia Bernal, who asked magistrates to outlaw abortion entirely. Instead, she sparked a debate within the Consti-

tutional Court about whether abortion should be more broadly permitted.

Magistrates on Monday rejected Bernal’s plea, finding no reason to reconsider the 2006 ruling, but also refraining from a broader discussion on expanding abortion access.

“The plaintiff hasn’t submitted sufficient arguments to call into question a constitutional judgment,” they said in a statement read aloud in the court.

Ardila said the decision could nonetheless encourage other nations in Latin America to at least grant abortion access in certain cases, like

when a woman’s life is at risk.

“It reaffirms that courts in Latin America should at least protect abortion for medical reasons,” she said.

Abortion rights are expected to become a hot topic again in Latin America this year, with Argentina’s president expected to send a bill to congress to legalize it. Women in the South American nation have been protesting as part of a larger wave of unrest aimed at shining a light on gender inequality.

Many nations in the region have high rates of maternal mortality that health professionals and women’s rights

advocates say are linked in part to difficulty accessing abortions.

Illegal abortions under dangerous circumstances that led to fatal complications were once the number one cause of maternal deaths in Colombia. Today, with limited access, they represent the fourth highest cause, according to a coalition of women’s groups that was arguing in favor of expanding access.

Dozens of women, particularly those in rural areas, are still believed to die each year in Colombia after seeking abortions while thousands of others experience complications.



A man watches as Mount Merapi spews volcanic material into the air in Sleman, Indonesia on Monday.

Slamet Riyadi / AP

## Indonesia’s most active volcano erupts, spews ash into sky

By **SLAMET RIYADI**  
Associated Press

YOGYAKARTA, Indonesia — Indonesia’s most active volcano erupted Tuesday, spewing sand and pyroclastic material and sending massive smoke-and-ash column as high as 19,680 feet into the sky.

The eruption of Mount

Merapi on the main island of Java also unleashed searing gas clouds 1.2 miles down its slopes, said Indonesia’s Geology and Volcanology Research Agency on its website.

The agency said villagers living on Merapi’s fertile slopes are advised to stay 1.8 miles from the crater’s mouth as the ash made the

rain thick and muddy in several villages.

Witnesses said the sound was heard 18 miles away. The agency did not raise the alert status of Merapi, which already was at the third-highest level due to its ongoing activity.

The 9,737-foot mountain is the most active of 500 Indonesian volcanoes. The volca-

no has rumbled and generated dark hot clouds since last year. Its last major eruption in 2010 killed 353 people.

Indonesia, an archipelago of 240 million people, is prone to earthquakes and volcanic activity because it sits along the Pacific “Ring of Fire,” a horseshoe-shaped series of fault lines around the ocean.

## Refugee farmers carve out existence in Costa Rica

By **CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN**  
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UPALA, Costa Rica — In Costa Rica’s rural north, several hundred Nicaraguan refugees are carving out an existence with machetes and a firm belief that they could be jailed or killed if they return too soon to their country.

Last October, a small vanguard of displaced Nicaraguan farmers moved onto about 289 acres of rented land that hadn’t been farmed in 40 years. Their goal was to feed themselves the only way they knew how and establish a safe place to wait out the repression of Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega.

They slept on the ground under tarps, awoke beside snakes and worked from dawn to dusk clearing sections of the rolling land and planting banana, beans, yucca and corn.

They are a fraction of the approximately 75,000 Nicaraguans who have sought asylum in neighboring Costa Rica since Nicaragua plunged into a political crisis in April 2018 — officials believe that number could reach 125,000, or more than 2 percent of the population, by the end of the year — but their initiative, hard work and goal of self-sufficiency have drawn the attention of the United Nations and the respect of their Costa Rican hosts.

Leading this community of refugees is Francisca Ramirez, a 43-year-old grandmother better known as “Doña Chica,” a nickname that dates to her childhood and foretold a woman who gets things done. The farmer and activist from Nueva Guinea, Nicaragua, has contacts in Washington and Brussels that she leverages at every opportunity to try to improve the refugees’ situation.



Moises Castillo / AP

Nicaraguan farmer and activist Francisca Ramirez walks through her bean field in her community of refugees in Upala, Costa Rica, on Feb. 7.

When U.S. Secretary of State Mike Pompeo visited Costa Rica in January, Ramirez was one of the select few Nicaraguans who met with him.

Ramirez established this settlement on jungle-covered farmland and has set up several smaller ones around northern Costa Rica. They are raising their own food, providing the two things she says are critical for any refugee: a reliable food supply and the dignity of work.

“I have seen people cry tears because to get an enchilada, a plate of food, they had to have their picture taken,” Ramirez said, referring to some aid organizations. “That is hard. It’s important to look for mechanisms, that there is a mechanism to allow people to do what they know how to do.”

What Ramirez and some 57 other families here know is farming. The shimmering knee-high bean plants stretching to the horizon prove it. Every day she receives calls from Nicaraguans hoping to move to one of her sites from either within Nicaragua or from other parts of Costa Rica. Recently, she has had to refuse them,

explaining that until she and the others have established their food supply they can’t accept more people.

There are also security concerns. Ramirez has been a thorn in Ortega’s side for years and has a demonstrated ability to mobilize people. She’s often mentioned in the same breath with murdered Honduran environmental activist Berta Caceres. Newcomers are vetted through her network of contacts inside and outside Nicaragua.

Most of the refugees now residing with Ramirez came from southern Nicaragua and have connections to her Farmer Movement. When they rose up in April 2018 to support university students whose protests were being violently repressed, the farmers were already veterans of years of government persecution themselves for their opposition to Ortega’s ambitious, but never built, canal. It would have connected the Pacific Ocean and Caribbean Sea, but also appropriated many of the farmers’ lands.

The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

found that 325 people were killed in those 2018 protests, which Ortega characterized as a failed coup attempt. The government has labeled those who participated in roadblocks around the country as terrorists. Unsolved killings that human rights groups attribute to paramilitary groups acting on behalf of the government have continued.

Ramirez left her farm, livestock and a fleet of trucks that carried farmers’ produce to market on Sept. 15, 2018, and walked for five days to enter Costa Rica at a blind spot on their shared border. She said her life was in danger or at the very least she would be arrested with hundreds of others. She requested asylum, spent time in the capital and worked at a market in another city.

Like most refugees she struggled to get on their feet in a new country. Costa Rica has been supportive and some of its citizens have played a critical role in what she’s accomplished, Ramirez said.

One acquaintance suggested she rent land to farm and loaned her money to buy a truck. Another provided her name and signature to help Ramirez rent the farmland. Still another gave them a pigpen to set up on their land. The government has streamlined the process to get refugee children enrolled in schools and most of the refugees in her community have registered for asylum.

Still, piecing together an existence while they wait for their harvests to come in has been difficult. In Costa Rica, food, rent and transportation are double or triple what they cost in Nicaragua. Meals have been skipped. Shelter for most remains primitive. Some have had difficulty accessing health care.

## Media faces challenges in covering coronavirus outbreak

By **DAVID BAUDER**  
AP Media Writer

NEW YORK — Covering the coronavirus story requires careful navigation and constant attention.

News organizations trying to responsibly report on the growing health crisis are confronted with the task of conveying its seriousness without provoking panic, keeping up with a torrent of information while much remains a mystery and continually advising readers and viewers how to stay safe.

“It’s a 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week, around-the-world story,” said Michael Slackman, international editor at The New York Times.

The Times maintains a live news blog about the coronavirus that is refreshed 24 hours a day, with editors in New York, London and Hong Kong dividing responsibility. The Slack channel set up by Associated Press journalists to discuss coverage among themselves and contribute to the story has more than 400 members. Starting Monday, NBC News is turning its morning newsletter solely into a vehicle for talking about the disease.

The coronavirus has sickened thousands, quarantined millions and sent financial markets reeling — all while some cultural critics say the story is overblown.

“It’s hard to tell people to put something into context and to calm down when the actions being taken in many cases are very strong or unprecedented,” said Glen Nowak, director of the Grady College Center for Health and Risk Communication at the University of Georgia.

But that’s what journalists in charge of coverage say they need to do.

“We have been providing a lot of explainers, Q-and-A’s, trying to lay out in clear, simple language what the symptoms are and what the disease means for people,” said Jon Fahey, health and science editor at the AP.

Fear is a natural response when people read about millions of people locked down in China, he said. Yet it’s also true that, right now, the individual risk to people is very small.

Late last week, the Times’ Vivian Wang tried to illustrate some of the complexities in writing about a disease that has struck more than 80,000 people, with a death toll approaching 3,000. Most people have mild symptoms — good fortune that paradoxically can make the disease harder to contain because many won’t realize they have the coronavirus, she noted.

“I keep reminding the viewers that still, based on two very large studies, the vast majority of people who get this infection are not going to get sick,” said Dr. Sanjay Gupta, CNN’s medical correspondent. “They’re going to have a mild illness, if any, and they’re going to recover. This tends to be very reassuring to people. But I don’t want to minimize this. We’re dealing with something that is growing and becoming a legitimate pandemic.”

“Pandemic” — defined by

Webster’s as an outbreak that occurs over a wide geographic area and affects an exceptionally high proportion of the population — is one of the scary-sounding words and phrases that some journalists take care about using.

Fahey said the AP avoids calling it a “deadly” disease because, for most people, it isn’t. Dr. John Torres, medical correspondent at NBC News, edits out phrases like “horrific” or “catastrophic.”

“I try not to delve too much in adjectives,” Torres said.

Nearly every day brings word of more cases, in more countries. That’s news. Yet should journalists consider the cumulative impact of a statistical drumbeat? “At some point the numbers become less meaningful,” Gupta said.

Images, too, merit careful consideration. Pictures of people wearing face masks often illustrate stories, despite evidence that the masks matter little in transmission of the virus, Nowak said.

Sensational headlines can grab attention yet also unnecessarily frighten. An Atlantic magazine article last week was headlined “You’re Likely to Get the Coronavirus.”

Sensationalism actually tends to decline in these situations, said Peter Sandman, a consultant and expert in risk communication.

“Reporters love to sensationalize trivia or rare risks — think flesh-eating bacteria — to give their audience a vicarious thrill,” Sandman said. “But when risks get serious and widespread, media coverage gets sober.”

The words and actions of journalists and other public figures send signals of their own.

CNN’s Gupta has talked about people needing to consider “social distancing” if pockets of infection build in the United States. He has revealed on the air that his own house is stocked with supplies in case his family has to remain home for any period of time.

“People could be frightened by that,” Gupta conceded. “It’s not the intent. It’s in the way that you convey these things.”

It was news last week, and also a little scary, when it was revealed that a federal health official had checked on the coronavirus readiness of her child’s school district. Donald G. McNeil, a science reporter at The New York Times, attracted attention for talking about his own preparedness on the newspaper’s podcast, “The Daily.”

“I spend a lot of time thinking about whether I’m being too alarmist or whether I’m not being alarmist enough,” he said.

Besides constantly reminding people about basics of the disease, journalists say it’s important to explain what they don’t know.

“It lets them know that we’re not just ignoring the questions or dismissing them, and it’s an opportunity to show readers how science progresses in real time,” said Laura Helmuth, health and science editor at The Washington Post.

# Conservative Utah’s 1st medical marijuana dispensary opens

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah’s first medical marijuana dispensary opened Monday as the state began a slow rollout of a program that will allow residents with certain health conditions to use pot for medicinal purposes.

The online application process for people to get medical marijuana cards started on Sunday.

To get cards, people must first receive a recommendation from one of 60 approved health professionals, said Rich Oborn, director of the state’s Center for Medical Cannabis. The group includes doctors, nurse practitioners and physician assistants who received training to approve patient cards.

The first dispensary, Dragonfly Wellness, opened in an old bank building in Salt Lake City, using the original bank vaults and structure, the Deseret News reported.

“We’ve got a number of different community advocates that have been fighting for patient rights and fighting for our community so that way people have a safer alternative to medicine,” said Narith Panh, the company’s chief strategy officer. “This is for them today, too.”

A second dispensary is expected to open in March and seven more by June. The final five dispensaries, which will be called pharmacies, will open after July, Oborn said.

Patients with qualifying conditions have been able to use marijuana with a doctor’s letter since December 2018, but they had to go to other states to get it. Those letters

are valid through the end of 2020, but they don’t allow patients to buy medical marijuana products in Utah.

People seeking medical marijuana cards are most likely to cite having chronic pain condition, defined as pain that lasts longer than two weeks, Oborn said.

Utah became the 33rd state to legalize medical marijuana after voters passed a ballot initiative in November 2018 that legalized doctor-approved marijuana treatment for certain health conditions including cancer, chronic pain and epilepsy.

State lawmakers then replaced the measure with a law they said puts tighter controls on the production, distribution and use of the drug. It was part of a compromise involving The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, whose positions carry out-sized sway in its home state.

The faith, widely known as the Mormon church, had long frowned upon medical marijuana use because of a key church health code called the “Word of Wisdom,” which prohibits coffee as well as alcohol, tobacco and illegal drugs. Leaders also worried that allowing medical marijuana could lead to broader use in Utah.

But as opinion polls indicated that majority of the state’s voters would approve the 2018 medical-legalization measure, leaders publicly came out in support of patients using the drug if prescribed by a doctor, saying it can alleviate pain and suffering.



Traders Robert Charmak, left, and Gregory Rowe fist bump at the close of trading, on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange on Monday.

# Dow surges 5 percent

## Hopeful for central bank help on the economy

By ALEX VEIGA  
Associated Press

The Dow Jones Industrial Average soared nearly 1,300 points, or 5 percent, Monday as stocks roared back from a seven-day rout on hopes that central banks will take action to shield the global economy from the effects of the coronavirus outbreak.

The huge gains clawed back some of the ground lost last week in a massive sell-off that gave stocks their worst stretch since the financial crisis of 2008.

Technology companies led the broad gains, which gave the Dow its biggest-ever point gain and biggest percentage increase since March 2009. The S&P 500 index jumped 4.6 percent, its best day since December 2018.

European benchmarks were mostly higher, and Asian markets rose broadly.

Bond prices fell, pushing yields higher after having touched another record low earlier in the day. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note rose to 1.15 percent from 1.12 percent late Friday.

The virus outbreak that began in central China has been shutting down industrial centers, emptying shops and severely crimping travel all over the world. More companies are warning investors that their finances will take a hit because of disruptions to supply chains and sales.

Amid the worsening outlook, investors are increasingly anticipating that the Federal Reserve and other major central banks around the world will lower interest rates or take other steps to shield the global economy from the effects of the outbreak.

“Investors have convinced themselves that global central banks will likely be even more accommodative in order to short-circuit any psy-



A board above the trading floor of the New York Stock Exchange shows the closing number for the Dow Jones Industrial Average.

chological damage,” said Sam Stovall, chief investment strategist at CFRA.

Bill Nelson, chief economist at the Bank Policy Institute and a former Fed economist, said the Fed and other major central banks, possibly including China’s, could announce coordinated rate cuts by Wednesday morning. The cut would at least be a half-point and perhaps even three-quarters, he said.

“The only way to get a positive market reaction is to deliver more than expected,” he said.

The International Monetary Fund and World Bank announced simultaneously Monday that they are ready to help countries affected by the coronavirus through their emergency lending programs and other tools.

“We will use our available instruments to the fullest extent possible,” the IMF managing director, Kristalina Georgieva, and World Bank President David Malpass said in a joint statement. “International cooperation is essential.”

And Christine Lagarde, the head of the European Central Bank, said Monday that Europe’s top monetary authority is ready to take “appropriate and targeted measures” if necessary to

support the economy against the headwinds from the new coronavirus.

The statements echoed similar promises to act if necessary from the Federal Reserve on Friday and the Bank of Japan over the weekend. Traders have priced in a 100 percent probability that the Fed will cut rates by a half-percent point during or before its March meeting.

One encouraging sign to traders is that the finance ministers and central bank leaders of the Group of Seven major industrial countries will hold a conference call on Tuesday to discuss an economic response to the viral outbreak.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome Powell will lead the call. The group includes Japan, Germany, Britain, and France, among others. The G-7 often issues statements pledging cooperation amid global economic turbulence.

There were signs that the economic impact was continuing to mount. A measure of China’s manufacturing output plunged last month to its lowest level on record, as the viral outbreak closed factories and disrupted supply chains.

And the Organization for

Economic Development, a research organization made up of mostly advanced economies, said Monday that the viral outbreak “presents the global economy with its greatest danger since the financial crisis” in 2008.

The OECD cut its world growth forecast and said that even if there are only limited outbreaks outside China, the global economy will grow just 2.4 percent this year, the weakest since the crisis. That forecast matches several private estimates.

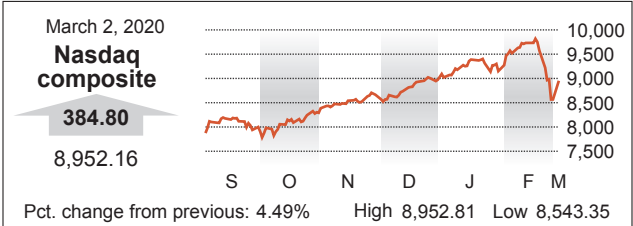
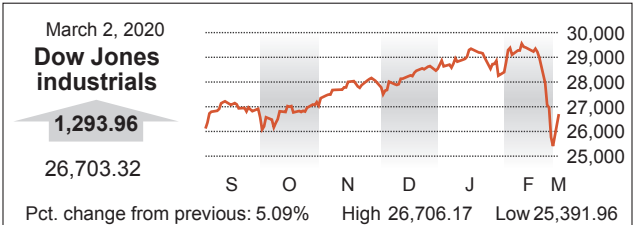
If other countries are hit with outbreaks similar to China’s, growth could fall as low as 1.5 percent, the OECD said.

Separately, economists at Goldman Sachs slashed their forecasts for U.S. growth to just 0.9 percent in the first quarter and to zero for the April-June quarter.

For investors, the great amount of uncertainty over how consumer behavior and spending will be affected has been unsettling.

“It’s not a typical economic blow,” said Bill Strazzullo of Bell Curve Trading. “What if major cities are on some kind of a lockdown? What will that do to restaurants, entertainment, shopping, travel? It’s almost impossible to game this out.”

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By BERNARD CONDON  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — President Donald Trump’s son-in-law and adviser Jared Kushner has sold his stake in a company investing in Opportunity Zone projects offering tax breaks he had personally lobbied for in Washington, sparking criticism that he was benefiting from his White House role.

A filing at the Office of Government Ethics released Monday shows that Kushner received permission to defer capital gains on the sale of his stake in Cadre, a digital platform for smaller investors to buy stakes in commer-

cial properties. Kushner’s holding in the private Cadre is worth between \$25 million and \$50 million, according to a financial disclosure report he filed with federal ethics officials last year.

Kushner pushed for the Opportunity Zone tax breaks to be included in Trump’s 2017 tax overhaul. The breaks offer investors big cuts in capital gains taxes if they put money into businesses and buildings in 8,700 poor, struggling neighborhoods across the country that otherwise might not attract the money.

Cadre has said it plans to invest heavily in those neighborhoods, though it is unclear

just how much it has done so. Kushner also has stakes in more than a dozen properties in Opportunity Zones owned by his family firm, Kushner Cos. It is not clear if the company has taken advantage of the breaks.

Kushner stepped down as CEO of Kushner Cos. and gave up management positions at Cadre when he joined the White House three years ago.

An ethics lawyer for Kushner did not immediately respond to requests for comment. Cadre declined to comment.

Kushner co-founded Cadre with his brother, Joshua, and current CEO, Ryan Williams.

A Forbes magazine cover story last year said investors were shying away from the company given the links to Kushner and the Trump administration. It quoted CEO Williams saying, “I would be lying if I said the political angle wasn’t frustrating or concerning. There are people who won’t work with us, and we get that.”

Still, Kushner’s financial filings filed with federal ethics officials suggest the company isn’t doing so badly. The \$25 million minimum value of Kushner’s stake at the end of last year is up sharply from three years ago when it was valued at at least \$5 million.



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The less running around you do and the more time you put into getting things done, the better off you'll be. Take better care of money matters.

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Look to friends for advice. A personal change will give you the confidence to step outside your comfort zone and try something new. Keep passwords and private matters well-hidden.

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Concentrate on professional gains. Do whatever it takes to raise your profile or update your qualifications. An opportunity to earn more money could develop. Make a positive lifestyle change.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**

Don't make unrealistic promises. If you are misleading, you will be held accountable. Make personal improvement, fitness and better health your priorities. Problems will arise while traveling or dealing with bureaucracy.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**

Change may cause uncertainty, but, in the end, you will benefit from what transpires. An open mind will lead to knowledge that will help you take advantage of an opportunity.

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Don't take anything or anyone for granted. An unpredictable situation will leave you questioning where you stand and what's going to happen next. Observe how others respond before you take action.

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Be part of the solution, not part of the problem. Stand up for what you believe is right and make your voice heard. You can and will make a difference.

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Be the best you can be. Engage in exercise or in any other activity that will make you feel stronger, better and ready to conquer whatever comes your way.

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